

after this Act takes effect and shall issue its warrant to the Wardens of said Institution directing such transfer then the said sentence of the Court shall operate to authorize such transfer by virtue hereof.

It is expressly provided, however, that nothing in this Section shall be construed to add to, alter or change the class of crimes, as they existed before this Act takes effect, with respect to the right of challenge or with respect to the fees in criminal cases, or to make any crime infamous, by reason of any sentence to the Maryland Penitentiary, or transfer thereto, which would not have been an infamous crime before this Act takes effect; and it is further provided that nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent any Court from committing any minor to any industrial school or juvenile reformatory to which minors may now be committed under existing law.

655. When any person is convicted before any Justice of the Peace having criminal jurisdiction, of any misdemeanor, committed after this Act takes effect and punishable by imprisonment in jail, or by fine and imprisonment in jail (other than imprisonment in default of fine), the said Justice of the Peace shall have power in his discretion to sentence such person to be confined in the Maryland House of Correction; and all sentences of imprisonment for over six months imposed by such Justice upon such person, shall be to the Maryland House of Correction. All sentences to the Maryland House of Correction, under this Section may be for a term of imprisonment up to but not exceeding the maximum term in jail which the Justice might have imposed for the offense committed had this Section not been enacted; provided, however, that in no case whatsoever shall any Justice sentence any person to imprisonment in the Maryland House of Correction for more than three years nor for less than three months, except that any sentence under section 414 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Railroads—Obstructing," may be imposed in accordance with the provisions of said section 414. And it is further provided that nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent any Justice having jurisdiction from committing any minor to any industrial school or juvenile reformatory to which minors may now be committed under existing law.

656. The salaries of the members of said State Board of Prison Control and the salaries or compensation of every employee of said Board and every Warden, and other employees