

CHAPTER 101.

AN ACT to authorize the County Commissioners of Cecil county, to pay the Sheriff of said county, a per diem for attendance in person or by deputy upon the court, and such further compensation for other services as in their discretion may seem to them right and proper.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Sheriff of Cecil county, shall be allowed two dollars and fifty cents for each day's attendance in person or by deputy upon the court when it is actually in session, and also that the County Commissioners in the exercise of a careful, wise and sound discretion, and of a scrutinizing judgment, allow him such further compensation for serving bench warrants and attachments, during the sessions of said courts, and performing extra duty, as may seem to them right and proper: *provided,* that before they shall order to be paid to him any money for doing so, other than the fees now allowed in the Code of Public General Laws, section twenty-seven, article thirty-eight, a petition shall be filed with them for each case, which shall be kept in their office, and shall set forth accurately and in detail, the nature and kind of service for which the extra compensation is asked, the time consumed in performing it, the circumstances, and why any such extra compensation is asked, and why such extra services were necessary, and shall be verified by the oath of the Sheriff, and of the deputy who performed such services, and it shall be the duty of the County Commissioners, to examine carefully each petition and see that the requirements of this act are strictly complied with, and they shall not order to be paid, any claim or extra compensation unless each and every provision is fully complied with, and unless there is annexed to each petition, an affidavit of the truth of the matter in it, and that such extra services were absolutely and indispensably necessary in each case; and they, after all the requirements of this act are complied with, shall then pay only such sum for extra compensation as shall appear to them to be a fair, reasonable and proper compensation, and

Allowance for attendance

Proviso.

Extra compensation