

And provided further that nothing in this Section shall change or affect the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace or Police Justices to hear, try and determine any cases, in which they have original or concurrent jurisdiction as heretofore conferred, but that the said Justices of the Peace or Police Justices shall continue to exercise all duties and authority as to such matters, within their jurisdictions, as was conferred prior to June 1, 1933.

And provided further that nothing in this Section shall prevent the Grand Jury of any of the Counties of the State or the City of Baltimore from considering and taking action, by way of presentment and indictment or otherwise, in any such case, if the said Grand Jury deems it desirable to proceed by way of presentment and indictment instead of by way of information.

Fresh Pursuit.

1937, ch. 123, sec. 549B.

638. Any member of a duly organized State, county or municipal peace unit of another State of the United States who enters this State in fresh pursuit, and continues within this State in such fresh pursuit, of a person in order to arrest him on the ground that he is believed to have committed a felony in such other State, shall have the same authority to arrest and hold such person in custody, as has any member of any duly organized State, county or municipal peace unit of this State, to arrest and hold in custody a person on the ground that he is believed to have committed a felony in this State.

1937, ch. 123, sec. 549C. 1939, ch. 667.

639. If an arrest is made in this State by an officer of another State, in accordance with provisions of Section 638, he shall, without unnecessary delay, take the person arrested before a Judge of the Circuit Court of the County or a Judge of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City, in which the arrest was made, who shall conduct a hearing for the purpose of determining the lawfulness of the arrest. If the Judge determines that the arrest was unlawful, he shall discharge the person arrested.

1937, ch. 123, sec. 549D.

640. Section 638 shall not be construed so as to make unlawful any arrest in this State which would otherwise be lawful.

1937, ch. 123, sec. 549E.

641. For the purpose of this sub-title the word "State" shall include the District of Columbia.

1937, ch. 123, sec. 549F.

642. The term "fresh pursuit" as used in this sub-title shall include fresh pursuit as defined by the common law, and also the pursuit of a person who has committed a felony or who is reasonably suspected of having committed a felony. It shall also include the pursuit of a person suspected of having committed a supposed felony, though no felony has actually been committed, if there is reasonable ground for believing that a felony has been committed. Fresh pursuit as used herein shall not necessarily imply instant pursuit, but pursuit without unreasonable delay.