SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 25, 1947.

CHAPTER 659.

(Senate Bill 403)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 38(c) and Section 38A of Article 1A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "City of Cumberland," sub-title "Police and Fire," as said sections were amended by Chapter 871 of the Acts of 1943, relating to leaves of absence and compensation of members of the Police Force of Cumberland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* Section 38(c) and 38A of Article 1A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "City of Cumberland," sub-title "Police and Fire," as said sections were amended by Chapter 871 of the Acts of 1943, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(c). Each member of the Police Force shall be granted an annual vacation or leave of absence of fifteen days with pay after one year of service, and if said vacation or leave of absence may be taken with the approval of the Chief of Police in such manner and at such time as the members may desire, providing, that vacation periods or leave of absence is granted in accordance with the seniority of the members as the members may prefer. In addition to the above vacation leave, each member of the Police Force shall be granted leave of absence with pay four days each month to be designated by the Chief of Police and shall be allowed leave of absence with pay on account of sickness not to exceed fifteen (15) days in any one year. Any member of the Police Force may accumulate unused sick leave from year to year, up to sixty days and may use the same for sick leave at any time. Any officer