

CHAPTER 406.

AN ACT to add a new sub-title and five new sections to Article 88B of the Code of Public General Laws (1935 Supplement), title "State Police", said new sub-title to be known as "Teletype System", and said new sections to be known as Sections 36, 37, 38 and 39, to follow immediately after Section 35 of said Article, to provide a system for exchanging, collecting and distributing police information between the various organized police forces of the State of Maryland, and to connect the same with existing and uniform systems in nearby States; and to authorize certain expenditures hereunder.

WHEREAS, a number of nearby States have established a uniform plan for the distribution of police information known as "Teletype System", and

WHEREAS, the purpose of said system is the prompt distribution of police information, both in its preventative aspect and in the rapidity with which news of crime committed is brought to all police agencies operating under such a uniform system, and

WHEREAS, unless this State adopts such a system there is apprehension that when a crime is committed in some neighboring State the perpetrator will flee to this State because of the likelihood of his escape, and

WHEREAS, an emergency is thought to exist due to the fact that this State now has no such system, whereas many nearby states either have already installed said system or are preparing to do so.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new sub-title and five new sections be and the same are hereby added to Article 88B of the Code of Public General Laws, 1935 Supplement, said new sub-title to read "Teletype System", and said new sections to be known as 36, 37, 38 and 39, to follow immediately after Section 35 of said Article and to read as follows:

36. A Police Communication Bureau is hereby created which shall establish a basic, coordinating police communication system of teletypewriter communication, operating through sending and receiving stations, or receiving stations, only, and such associated equipment as may be necessary, at the headquarters of the Department of the Maryland State Police and at such sub-stations or detached posts of the State