

CHAP. 81.

Repeal.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That chapter two hundred and thirty-three of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of nineteen hundred, repealing chapter four hundred and ninety-four of the Acts of the General Assembly of eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, to repeal section seven hundred and fifty-six of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Baltimore City," sub title "Police," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, so as to read as follows :

Power given
to retire
policemen,
etc.

756. In addition to the sums of money now authorized by law to be paid out of the fund so as above constitutes and designated, the said Board of Police Commissioners are empowered, whenever in their opinion the efficiency of service may require it, to retire any officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey appointed by them and pay to him in monthly instalments out of said fund for life a sum of money equal to one-half of the amount of money monthly paid to such officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey as provided by law ; provided, however, he shall have served faithfully not less than sixteen years as such officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey, or shall have been permanently disabled in the discharge of his duty as such officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey ; and the said board shall in all cases before making such retirement procure and file away among their records a certificate of a competent and reputable physician that the person proposed to be retired has been thoroughly examined by him, and that he is incapable of performing active police duty ; and it shall be the duty of any such officer of police, policeman, detective or turnkey so retired to perform such police duties, and at such times as the Board of Police Commissioners shall deem proper, said terms of service not to exceed seven days during any year, and for such services no extra compensation shall be allowed by said board ; and the said board shall have the power in their discretion to suspend payment to any such officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey for a term not to exceed three months for the first offence ; for the second offence, a term not to exceed six months, and for the third offence, any such officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey shall be subject to dismissal upon proof given that the said officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey is or has been, in the judgment of the said board, living an improper or immoral life.

Power given
to suspend
payment.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 20, 1902.