

## CHAPTER 118.

AN ACT relating to jurisdiction over that portion of Fort McHenry the use of which was recently granted to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore.

WHEREAS, Under Act of the Sixty-third Congress of the United States, numbered 108, of May 26, 1914, the Secretary of War, by Permit dated June 1, 1914, granted to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, for use for park purposes, the land known as Fort McHenry, with certain exceptions therein mentioned and under certain restrictions and conditions therein contained, and it is deemed desirable that the jurisdiction of Courts, magistrates and peace officers of Baltimore City should be extended over said land, and a Joint Resolution is pending in Congress to cede jurisdiction over said land to the State of Maryland;

*Therefore—*

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all laws of the State of Maryland and ordinances of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore now or hereafter existing, intended for the preservation of peace and good order and the prevention, detection and punishment of crimes and misdemeanors, applicable in the City of Baltimore, shall apply and be of full force and effect within all that portion of Fort McHenry Military Reservation included within the said Permit of June 1, 1914, and all police and other peace officers exercising police powers within the limits of the City of Baltimore, including park police, shall have the same powers within the said portion of Fort McHenry Military Reservation; and all magistrates and Courts of the said State and City having jurisdiction in Baltimore City shall have the like jurisdiction over said portion of said Military Reservation so long as the same may be held by the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore under said Permit of June 1, 1914.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety and shall take effect, so far as under the laws of the United States it can take effect, from the date of its passage, and so far as its taking effect may depend upon any Act or Resolution of Congress, then this Act shall take effect upon the passage of such Act or Resolution.

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