

subject upon which he may be requested so to report by the Governor of Maryland, any committee or member of the General Assembly, or the head of any State Department; to accumulate all data obtainable in relation to the practical operation and effect of such laws; to investigate and collect all available information relating to any matter which is the subject of proposed legislation by the General Assembly; to examine the acts and records of any State and report the result thereof to the Governor, any committee of the General Assembly, or the head of any State Department requesting the same; to prepare or aid in the preparation of any bill or resolution when requested so to do by any member of the General Assembly; to preserve and collate all information obtained, carefully indexed and arranged so as to be at all times easily accessible to State officials and open to the inspection of the general public; and to have an office at Annapolis during the sessions of the General Assembly, in order to facilitate the work of the Department for members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That for the services to be rendered under the provisions of this Act, the executive officer of the Department of Legislative Reference shall receive \$1,000 per annum; and there is hereby appropriated annually the sum of \$2,500 to provide for the payment of the services of the said executive officer and of such assistance and expenses as may be necessary in performing the duties imposed by this Act, the same to be payable on the order of said executive officer.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1916.

Approved April 18th, 1916.

CHAPTER 475.

AN ACT to amend Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 495 of the Acts of 1908, entitled "Baltimore County," sub-title "Police and Police Stations," by adding thereto two additional sections to be known as "Sections 295A and 295B," to require a permit in writing from the County Commissioners of Baltimore County for the erection, establishment,