

week, instead of Seventeen Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$17.50) per week, as now provided by law. The aforesaid salaries shall be payable in the manner now prescribed by law for the payment of those holding the same grade, rank or position in the said Police Department,—provided, however, that each member of the Police Department of Baltimore City, shall be entitled to additional compensation as follows:—After serving five (5) years, to the amount of two and one-half ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) per cent. of the salary of his grade or position; after serving ten (10) years, five (5) per cent. of the salary of his grade or position; after serving fifteen (15) years, seven and one-half ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) per cent. of the salary of his grade or position; after serving twenty (20) years, ten (10) per cent. of the salary of his grade or position; after serving twenty-five (25) years, twelve and one-half ( $12\frac{1}{2}$ ) per cent. of his grade or position; after serving thirty (30) years, fifteen (15) per cent. of the salary of his grade or position; provided, however, that the increase in the grade or base pay hereinbefore provided shall take effect as to time as follows: One-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the said increase in said grade or base pay, as hereinbefore provided, shall be paid beginning January 1st, 1928, and provided further that, beginning January 1st, 1929, the entire increase in said grade or base pay, as hereinbefore provided, shall become effective, and provided further that the additional compensation for length of service, shall continue in force as now provided by law.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Police Commissioner is hereby authorized to add to the Police Force of Baltimore City, fifteen (15) sergeants to the number now provided by law, one hundred and eighty-five (185), making a total of two hundred (200) sergeants; and to add four hundred and fifty (450) patrolmen to the number now provided by law, thirteen hundred and fifty (1350), making a total of eighteen hundred (1800) patrolmen; which sergeants and patrolmen shall be appointed, enrolled and equipped by the Police Commissioner for the said City in the same manner as the present members of the said Police Force, and the members of the said Police Force who shall be appointed under the provisions of this Section shall receive the same compensation which may be provided by law for members of the same rank or grade in the said Police Force of said City; provided, however, that the fifteen (15) additional sergeants shall not be appointed before January 1st, 1929; and provided further that the Police Commissioner shall appoint no patrolmen in excess of thirteen hundred and fifty (the number now authorized by law) prior to the 1st day of January, 1928; or any patrolmen in excess of fifteen hundred and seventy-five (1575) prior to January 1st, 1929.