

## CHAPTER 374.

AN ACT to repeal Section 777 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Police Commissioner," as the same was enacted by Chapter 567 of the Acts of Assembly for the year 1912, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 777 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Police Commissioner," as the same was enacted by Chapter 567 of the Acts of the General Assembly for the year 1912, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, so as to read as follows:

777. In addition to the sums of money now authorized by law to be paid out of the fund as above constituted and designated, the said Police Commissioner is empowered whenever, in his opinion, the efficiency of the service may require it, to retire any officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey appointed by him; and the said Police Commissioner shall pay to such officers of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey so retired, in monthly instalments, out of said fund, for life, a sum of money equal to one-half the amount of money currently paid monthly to an 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. In the event at any time of an increase in the pay of officers of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey, every officer of police, policeman, detective, clerk or turnkey, who shall have been or shall subsequently be retired by the said Police Commissioner shall be entitled to and the said Police Commissioner shall pay to him in the manner and at and for the length of time provided in this section for the pay of the members of the police force who shall be retired or shall have been retired, a sum equal to one-half of the remuneration of the active members of the Police Department holding the same rank or grade at the time of their retirement, to the end and effect that every retired officer of police, policeman, etc., shall receive the same remuneration as every other retired officer of police, policeman, etc., of like grade