SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 13, 1939.

CHAPTER 112.

(Senate Bill 8)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 9 of Article 65 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1935 Supplement), title "Militia," abolishing the office of Assistant Adjutant General, increasing the Governor's Staff from ten to twelve Aides and revoking the authority of the Governor to transfer certain duties of the Ranking Line Officer to the Adjutant General.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 9 of Article 65 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1935 Supplement), title "Militia," be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, so as to read as follows:

9. The Adjutant General shall be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. He shall have a commissioned grade not above that of Major General, and his salary shall be as stated in the annual Budget. He may be appointed by the Governor as Chief of Staff of the Governor's Staff.

The Governor may choose a staff consisting of the Adjutant General, and not more than twelve Aides. The Aides will be selected by the Governor from among the Commissioned Officers of the National Guard and Naval Militia. Each of them may receive an appointment as Aide, which, however, shall not add to the actual grade of the officer so appointed; nor shall such officer be relieved from duty with the organization to which he is assigned, except when actually on duty as Aide under the orders of the Governor.

The appointment of a Chief of Staff and of Aides shall be at the pleasure of the Governor.