

Baltimore City or of any county or municipality, or of a sheriff, deputy sheriff or constable, any uniform or other insignia worn by the said respective officers.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments", to be under sub-title "Personating Officers", said new section to be known as Section 531A, to follow immediately after Section 531 of said Article, and to read as follows:

531A. It shall be unlawful for any person falsely to represent himself as being a member of the police force of the State, of Baltimore City or of any county or municipal corporation of the State, or to represent himself as a sheriff, deputy sheriff or constable, with fraudulent design upon person or property, or to have, use, wear or display, without the authority of the Superintendent of State Police, the Commissioner of Police of Baltimore City or the Chief of Police of any county or municipal corporation, or of a sheriff, deputy sheriff or constable, any uniform, shield, button, ornament, badge, insignia or emblem of office, such as are worn by the members of the respective police forces or sheriff or constable, or to have any simulation or imitation of such articles for the purpose of deception. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or to imprisonment for not more than six months, or to both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved March 12, 1943.

CHAPTER 156.

(House Bill 398)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 65 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Militia", sub-title "Maryland State Guard", said new section to be known as Section 58CC and to follow immediately after Section 58C, as added to said Article by Chapter 33 of the Acts of 1941, providing for the use of the Maryland State Guard, any part thereof, or any individual member or members thereof,