

receive \$1,000.00 per year in addition to the compensation received when actually sitting as a substitute as hereinafter provided, and except the substitute magistrate appointed for Kent County, who shall receive Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per year in addition to the compensation received when actually sitting as a substitute, as hereinafter provided, and except the substitute magistrate appointed for Prince George's County, who shall receive \$1,300.00 per year, in addition to the compensation received when actually sitting as a substitute as hereinafter provided. And in Wicomico County said substitute trial magistrate shall receive a salary of \$800.00 per year.

In the event of the temporary absence or inability of a trial magistrate, the substitute trial magistrate shall serve in his place and stead during the period of his absence or inability, and shall have the same power and authority and be subject to the same duties and responsibilities as the said trial magistrate. He shall receive from the County Commissioners the same pro-rata amount for his compensation and the same expenses as would have been received under this sub-title by the trial magistrate whose absence or inability caused the substitution, and the salary of the trial magistrate so causing the substitution shall be diminished by a sum necessary to compensate the substitute as herein provided, for any such period of absence or inability in excess of 15 days in any one year.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all 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 29, 1949.

CHAPTER 471

(Senate Bill 386)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 178 of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1939 Edition), title "Corporations," sub-title "Gas and Electric Light Companies," relating to the use of mains, conduits, pipes, or other structures of gas light companies.