such exceptions, exclusions, limitations and restrictions as may be deemed expedient in connection with the admission to or the continuance in said pension and retirement system of any of said officers, agents, servants and employees. Members of the regular Fire and Police Departments of Baltimore County shall be eligible to admission to such pension or retirement system in lieu of their admission to the special retirement systems heretofore provided for them.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediately preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by 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 of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 6, 1949.

CHAPTER 768

(House Bill 757)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 5 (a) and 5 (c) of Article 88B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "State Police", relating to personnel of the Department of Maryland State Police.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 5 (a) and 5 (c) of Article 88B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "State Police", be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

5. (a) The Superintendent may establish and maintain a classification of ranks and grades for the police employees of the Department as follows: Major (1); Captain (2), one to be designated as Senior Captain; Lieutenants (7); Medical Examiner (1); Sergeant Major (1); First Sergeants (9); Detective Sergeants (6); Quartermaster Sergeant (1); Sergeant Mechanic (1); Sergeants (17); Corporals (18); Officers First Class (26); and Officers (91). The number of police employees in each such rank and grade shall be that appearing in parentheses after each rank and grade set forth above; provided, however, that such number may be increased by the Superintendent with the approval of the Governor, from time