

CHAPTER 285

(Senate Bill 441)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 798 of the Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of 1939, relating to the compensation of the head of the Bureau of Identification and Criminal Investigation of Washington County, and the expenses of said Bureau.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 798 of Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), as amended by Chapter 483 of the Acts of 1939, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

798. It shall be the duty of the State's Attorney for Washington County to maintain a Bureau of Identification and Criminal Investigation, and he shall employ, subject to the approval of the County Commissioners of Washington County, a competent man at a salary to be fixed by the County Commissioners, to conduct the work of said Bureau, the man so appointed to be capable of doing finger print, photographic, criminal investigation, and detective work, and to devote so much of his time as the State's Attorney may direct to criminal identification and criminal investigation work in Hagerstown and Washington County, under the direction and supervision of the State's Attorney. The County Commissioners of Washington County shall also pay printing, stationery, telephone, stamps, traveling expenses, and other expenses that may be necessary for the maintenance of said Bureau not to exceed Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month, and shall levy for the same as expenses of the State's Attorney's office. Bills for all expenses of said Bureau must be presented direct to the County Commissioners for payment by the County Commissioners, made out and sworn to on the regular forms in use by the County Commissioners and must be certified to by the State's Attorney, and all false swearing in such affidavits shall be deemed perjury and be punished as such.

An office shall be provided for the said Bureau at Police Headquarters in the City of Hagerstown, Maryland.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 22, 1949.