of the current pay of officers holding the same rank as the retired officer; and

Whereas, at the time of his retirement, John J. White, Jr., was considered an employee of the Police Department and was granted a pension equal to one-half of his compensation but since the office of Chief Clerk has been abolished, he continues to receive a pension equal to one-half the pay he was receiving in 1937 which was approximately the amount a retired lieutenant in the Police Department would have received at that time; and

Whereas, retired lieutenants now receive a pension equal to one-half the current pay of lieutenants; and

WHEREAS, John J. White, Jr., retired Chief Clerk of the Traffic Court, should be granted the same rights; now therefore

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to John J. White, Jr., retired Chief Clerk of the Traffic Court, a pension equal in amount to the pension paid a retired lieutenant of the Police Department of said City.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1951.

Approved April 27, 1951.

## CHAPTER 561

## (House Bill 245)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1947 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", said new section to be known as Section 302-7/8, to follow immediately after Section 302-3/4, as said section was enacted by the Acts of 1950, and to be under the sub-title "Gaming", relating to the playing of bingo in Washington County.

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.