

WHICH THE CRIME IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN COMMITTED; the county where the prosecution shall be carried on shall be chargeable with and pay the imprisonment fees of such witness; and the County Commissioners or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall levy the same, from time to time, as the case may require.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1957.

Approved March 18, 1957.

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CHAPTER 201

(Senate Bill 213)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 30 of Article 11 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Banks and Trust Companies", sub-title "Banks", deleting the requirement that the articles of incorporation must be approved by a judge of the Judicial Circuit in which the bank is to be located.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 30 of Article 11 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Banks and Trust Companies", sub-title "Banks", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

30. The articles of incorporation shall be executed in triplicate by the persons joining therein before any officer authorized to take acknowledgments, and then filed with the Bank Commissioner for examination. The Bank Commissioner shall thereupon ascertain from the best sources of information at his command, and by such investigation as he may deem necessary, whether the character, responsibility and general fitness of the person or persons, named in such certificate, are such as to command confidence and warrant belief that the business of the proposed corporation will be honestly and efficiently conducted in accordance with the intent and purposes of this Article, and whether the public convenience and advantage will be promoted by allowing such proposed corporation to engage or continue in business. After the Bank Commissioner shall have satisfied himself by such investigation whether it is expedient, and desirable to permit such proposed corporation to engage or continue in business, he shall have power to require such changes in said certificate as he may deem necessary. He shall within sixty days after the date of the filing of such certificate for examination, endorse upon each of the triplicates thereof over his official signature, the word "approved" or the word "refused" with the date of such endorsement. In case of refusal he shall return one of the triplicates so

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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.