(1956 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Taxicabs", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

627A. Refusal to pay fare.

Any person who engages and accepts transportation in public taxicab or other vehicle operated as a common carrier, under any conditions whereby the charge therefor is not paid in advance, and who wilfully refuses to pay the proper charges at the conclusion of such transportation, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars for each such offense. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the owner or operator of any such common carrier from making a special agreement with the person who engaged and accepted transportation, for the subsequent payment of the charges due. This section shall be effective only in Baltimore, *Harford* and Frederick counties.

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

Approved March 18, 1957.

CHAPTER 273

(House Bill 469)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, subsection (7) of Section 100 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Justices of the Peace", sub-title "Trial Magistrates System", adding an additional trial magistrate for Cecil County who shall sit at Northeast.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That subsection (7) of Section 100 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Justices of the Peace", subtitle "Trial Magistrates System", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

(7) Cecil County.—There shall be **[**five**]** six trial magistrates, one of whom shall be a member of the Bar of Cecil County, shall sit at Elkton and shall receive an annual salary of \$2,500.00, one of whom shall sit at Chesapeake City and shall receive an annual salary of \$600.00, one of whom shall sit at Northeast and shall receive an annual salary of \$600.00, one of whom shall sit at Perryville and shall receive an annual salary of \$1,500.00, one of whom shall sit at Port Deposit and shall receive an annual salary of \$900.00, and one of whom shall sit at Rising Sun and shall receive an annual salary of \$1,200.00. Provided, however, that the trial magistrate at Port Deposit shall sit only until such time as the U. S. Naval Training

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.