

CHAPTER 604

(House Bill 280)

AN ACT to repeal and to re-enact with amendments, Section 26 of Article 36, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1960 Edition, Cumulative Supplement), title "Fees of Officers", sub-title "Sheriffs", to increase the fee for serving fieri facias in Baltimore County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 26 of Article 36 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1960 Edition, Cumulative Supplement), title "Fees of Officers", sub-title "Sheriffs", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

26. Poundage fees; fees for serving fieri facias in certain localities. The sheriff shall have as poundage fees computed upon the value of the personal property or the amount of the debt whichever is less for levying an execution at the rate of seven and a half per cent, on the first twenty-six dollars and sixty-seven cents, and at the rate of three per cent, on the residue, but if execution be laid on any interest in lands only one half of the poundage fees shall be charged, and if laid upon lands and the lands be not sold by the sheriff he shall charge only one fourth of the poundage fees aforesaid and if upon personal property and the same be not sold by the sheriff he shall charge three per cent, as mentioned above. Provided, however, that in addition to the above fees, the Sheriff of Baltimore City [and the Sheriff of Baltimore County] shall receive for his services in serving each writ of fieri facias a fee of one dollar and fifteen cents (\$1.15), and the Sheriff of Baltimore County shall receive for his services in serving each writ of fieri facias a fee of five dollars (\$5.00), and the clerk of the court shall not issue said writ until the person, firm or corporation ordering the issuance of the same shall pay said fee to said clerk, which fee shall be paid to the sheriff when said writ was delivered to him. Provided, further, that in addition to the above fees the Sheriff of Wicomico County shall receive for his services in serving each writ of fieri facias a fee of two dollars (\$2.00), and the clerk of the court shall not issue said writ until the person, firm or corporation ordering the issuance of the same shall pay said fee to said clerk; and the clerk shall forward the fee directly to the county treasurer of Wicomico County. If there is a sale of the property seized under the writ of fieri facias, the aforesaid \$2.00 fee shall be credited to the court costs, however, if no property is seized the \$2.00 shall be forfeited.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.

Approved April 24, 1961.

CHAPTER 605

(House Bill 296)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 1620 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953