

retirement benefits for the officers and employees transferred to the local retirement system. From and after the effective date of the establishment of the local retirement system by the municipal corporation, the municipal corporation and its officers and employees shall not be required to make any further contributions to the Employees Retirement System FOR THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ELECTING TO WITHDRAW FROM SAID EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved April 30, 1963.

CHAPTER 642
(House Bill 855)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 1 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Clerks of Court," subtitle "General Duties of Clerks" permitting use of modern devices for recording court proceedings and record entries; providing that the State Comptroller shall approve cost of clerk's equipment before it shall be considered an office expense.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 1 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Clerks of Court," subtitle "General Duties of Clerks," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

1.

Every clerk shall have the custody of the books and papers pertaining to his office, and shall carefully keep current and preserve the same; he shall file all papers delivered to him to be filed, and shall record all judgments, ~~decrees~~ DECREES, deed and writings which by law are required to be recorded in the office of which he is clerk; he shall issue all writs and process which by law may be issued from the court of which he is clerk; he shall give a copy of any paper or record in his office to any person applying for the same, upon being paid the usual fees for transcribing such paper or record, and shall annex thereto his certificate, under the seal of this court, if required; he shall make proper entries of all proceedings in the court of which he is clerk; and all entries and records shall be made in a fair, legible hand, or with a typewriter or by the use of appropriate printed forms, or by photostat machine [if approved by the court, or by a combination of one or more the foregoing, in well-bound books procured by him for the purpose;] *or by any modern method now or hereafter devised for that purpose or by a combination of the foregoing;* and he shall perform all the duties required by him, by law. [The cost of photostat machine shall, upon approval by the court, be allowed as an expense of the office.] *The cost of all equip-*