Nothing herein contained shall prevent two or more judges from employing the same secretary.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved April 8, 1965.

CHAPTER 425

(House Bill 764)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 12-12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition) being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County," subtitle "Circuit Court," subheading "Court Stenographers," to provide for the employment of additional full time court reporters in Prince George's County and to increase their compensation in the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 12-12 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition) being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County," subtitle "Circuit Court," subheading "Court Stenographers," be and the same is hereby repealed, re-enacted and amended to read as follows:

12-12.

The Judges of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Maryland are hereby authorized and empowered to employ competent fulltime Court Reporters for the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, each reporter to be an expert stenographer or otherwise competent to record court proceedings, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the said Judges. Each reporter shall be paid such a salary as the Board of County Commissioners of Prince George's County may fix not to exceed the sum of [\$7,500.00] \$9,000.00 per annum, payable by the County Commissioners of Prince George's County, as other Court expenses are paid. Each reporter shall attend and take full stenographic notes of, or otherwise record, all oral testimony and Judicial opinions in such proceedings as the Court may from time to time direct. Each reporter shall make and furnish to any party, upon request, a transcript of any part of said notes, upon the payment by such party of the expenses of such transcript at a rate to be approved by the Court.

The Court may, in any case pending in said court, direct the reporter to transcribe the notes taken with respect to such case and to provide that the cost thereof at the rates aforesaid shall be taxed as part of the cost in such case, or, if the Court shall so direct, be paid as a part of the Court expenses.

Provided that nothing contained in Sections 12-11 and 12-12 will impair the authority of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County to employ a Court Reporter on a per diem pursuant to the provisions