

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 116(a) of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Supplement), title "Courts," subtitle "Municipal Court of Baltimore City," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

116.

(a) The judges of the Municipal Court are hereby vested with power to issue warrants to the same extent that such power was vested in the justices of the peace assigned to the station houses in Baltimore City and in the magistrates of the traffic court of Baltimore City on the day immediately preceding the effective date of this subtitle, and shall have power to quash any warrant so issued prior to the effective date of this subtitle, if the same remains unserved as of June 1, 1966.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved April 29, 1966.

CHAPTER 397

(House Bill 929)

AN ACT to add new Section 128A to Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Courts," subtitle "Municipal Court of Baltimore City," to follow immediately after Section 128 thereof, establishing penalties for paying or attempting to pay fines or costs in the Municipal Court of Baltimore City with any check, draft or other instrument, knowing that the same upon presentation will not be paid.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 128A be and it is hereby added to Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Courts," subtitle "Municipal Court of Baltimore City," to follow immediately after Section 128 thereof, and to read as follows:

128A.

Every person who shall pay or attempt to pay any fine or costs imposed in either division of the Municipal Court by means of any check, draft or other negotiable instrument of any kind drawn, whether drawn by such person or by any other person, firm or corporation, upon any bank, person, firm or corporation, where such person knows that the bank, person, firm or corporation is not indebted to the drawer, or where such person knows that the drawer or drawers thereof have not provided for the payment or acceptance thereof, and the same be not paid upon presentation, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or imprisoned for not more than sixty (60) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.