(1964 Replacement Volume and 1966 Cumulative Supplement), title "Justices of the Peace," subtitle "Process and Practice," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

38.

Attachment for contempt and fine for failure of witnesses to appear; special provisions as to Prince George's County.

- (a) If the witness shall fail to appear on the return day of the summons the justice shall issue an attachment of contempt made returnable before the justice issuing the same who may, at his discretion, fine such defaulting witness in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars (\$50.00) and shall issue execution for such fine and costs; and the same shall be collected and paid to the justice who shall, on or before the first day of January, annually, pay the same to the clerk of the circuit court for the county.
- (b) The Judges of the People's Court shall have the power and authority to enforce obedience to their rules, orders and judgments by attachments, and to inflict punishment for contempt of Court by a fine not exceeding the sum of fifty (\$50.00) dollars, or by confinement in the County Jail not to exceed ten (10) days; said fine shall be paid to the County Commissioners of Prince George's County; provided, however, that the power aforesaid to punish for contempt shall not be construed to extend to any cases or circumstances, except those set forth and provided in Section 4 of Article 26, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as within the power of the several Courts of this State to inflict punishment for contempt of Court.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved March 24, 1967.

CHAPTER 103

(House Bill 190)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 20-7 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 "County Treasurer," providing that certain clerks in the County Treasurer's office for Prince George's County shall be employed and compensated in accordance with Merit System regulations applicable in Prince George's County, and relating generally to the status and employment of such clerks.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 20-7 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 "County Treasurer," be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows: