## CHAPTER 117

(House Bill 653)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 37(v) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1966 Supplement), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," to provide for the manner of prescribing the compensation of the Deputy Sheriffs of Wicomico County; to provide that all deputies and other employees in the Sheriff's office shall be under the provisions of the Personnel Provisions and the Wicomico County Charter, and that a Deputy Sheriff covered by such provision, who is promoted to Chief Deputy, shall receive his old position back if he is removed from the position of Chief Deputy for other than cause.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 37(v) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1966 Supplement), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

37.

The Sheriff of Wicomico County shall receive an annual salary of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) to be paid to him in equal monthly installments. He shall appoint a chief deputy who shall receive an annual salary as determined by the Wicomico County Council, but not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), payable in equal monthly installments. He shall serve during the tenure of office of the Sheriff subject to removal by the Sheriff. The Sheriff may appoint such additional deputies as he and the County Council of Wicomico County shall deem necessary, which additional deputies shall receive such compensation [as he and said County Council of Wicomico County shall determine.] as may be prescribed by the personnel regulations and rules of said county. In addition thereto the Sheriff of Wicomico County shall be allowed such additional sums as may be necessary to defray all expenses of his office, including necessary automobile mileage allowance at the rate of not less than six cents  $(6\phi)$  per mile for automobiles used by him and his deputies in the discharge of their official duties, except such mileage shall not be allowed in the event automobiles are furnished to the Sheriff by the County Council of Wicomico County, actual carfare or other transportation expense necessary in the discharge of said duties, necessary telephone and telegraph expense, necessary expense for clerical assistants when the engaging of such assistants or hiring of such assistants is done with the approval of the County Council of Wicomico County. He shall submit properly authenticated requisitions containing a full and complete statement under oath setting forth all of the items of said expense accounts for the month in question, including the names of all deputies and assistants and the amounts allowed to each and all other items of expense, which statement under oath is hereby made the duty of the Sheriff to make up and submit to the said County Council of Wicomico County at the time of each monthly requisition, which sum or sums shall be in lieu of all expenses, fees and costs now or heretofore allowed the Sheriff of Wicomico County for expense in carrying out the duties of his