partment, and with the intent to defeat the purposes of this [article,] subtitle, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of the offense of false pretenses and subject to the terms and penalties provided in Section 140 of Article 27 of this Code, and any amendments thereto or supplements thereof.

83.

- [21.] If any provisions of this [article] *subtitle*, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of the [article] *subtitle*, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.
- SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall not be deemed to in any manner affect the tenure or compensation of any of the present employees of the State Department of Public Welfare or of the local welfare departments in the twenty-three counties and Baltimore City.
- SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That all members of boards, departments or agencies affected by this Act who are serving on such boards as of June 30, 1967 shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms as determined by reference to laws in effect prior to the effective date of this Act and such members shall, thereafter, be replaced as herein provided.
- SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances be held invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, all the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable.
- SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1967.

Approved April 14, 1967.

CHAPTER 149

(House Bill 467)

AN ACT to add new Sections 85 through 89, inclusive, to Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Workmen's Compensation," to follow immediately after Section 84 thereof and to be under the new subtitle "Liability for Awards Against Insolvent Insurers," to state the liability of all insurers writing workmen's compensation insurance in the State for the payment of awards made against insolvent compensation insurers, to require assessments against all such insurers proportionately for payment of awards, to provide for subrogation rights against the employer and unsolvent INSOLVENT insurer and to provide the recovery of unpaid assessments under this Act.