

two, an additional fee of \$1.50 shall be added to the costs, and further, in executing a warrant of restitution upon a landlord's complaint, the plaintiff landlord shall be required to pay to the Sheriff the costs of executing the same. The entire amount of such filing fees shall be paid over monthly to the County Commissioners by the magistrate or justice of the peace to whom said filing fees were paid.

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

Approved April 14, 1967.

CHAPTER 213
(House Bill 185)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 593 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Venue, Procedure and Sentence," subheading "Procedure," amending the laws concerning certain appeals in criminal cases and authorizing review on appeal of denials of motions for acquittal in criminal cases.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 593 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Venue, Procedure and Sentence," subheading "Procedure," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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In the trial of all criminal cases, the jury shall be the judges of law, as well as of fact, except that at the conclusion of the evidence for the State a motion for judgment of acquittal on one or more counts, or on one or more degrees of an offense, may be made by an accused on the ground that the evidence is insufficient in law to justify his conviction as to any such count or degree. If the motion is denied, he may offer evidence on his own behalf without having reserved the right to do so, but by so doing, he withdraws his motion. The motion may be made at the close of all the evidence whether or not such motion was made at the conclusion of the evidence for the State. If the motion is denied the defendant may [appeal from such ruling to the Court of Appeals of Maryland] *have a review of such ruling on appeal.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 14, 1967.