"Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties" be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

37.

- (d) The Sheriff of Calvert County shall receive an annual salary of \$6,000 and \$2,500 for all expenses. The said Sheriff shall appoint two three FOUR deputy sheriffs THREE to serve at the pleasure of said Sheriff and under his direction AND ONE TO SERVE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. Each deputy sheriff shall receive an annual salary in the amount of \$5,000 and an allowance for expenses in an annual amount of \$2,500. The deputy sheriff SHERIFFS appointed after the effective date of this Act shall be between 22 and 48 years of age. He THEY must, within six (6) months of his THEIR appointment, take a course, of not less than two weeks duration, of police training, or its equivalent, and thereafter take such course of training annually. The deputy sheriffs appointed at the time this Act takes effect shall be required to take a two weeks training course in police work or its equivalent, before March 31, 1968, and annually thereafter. In addition to the salaries above set forth, the Sheriff and deputies shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred for trips outside the territorial limits of Calvert County up to a sum not to exceed \$15.00 per trip.
- 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 yea 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.

CHAPTER 346

(House Bill 996)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 3(f) of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "County Commissioners," subtitle "General Provisions," authorizing the County Commissioners of Kent County to establish a merit system for county employees.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 3(f) of Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume), title "County Commissioners," subtitle "General Provisions," be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

3.

(f) To establish a merit system in connection with the appointment of all county officials and employees not elected or appointed