CHAPTER 447

(Senate Bill 472)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 690 (b) of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Places of Reformation and Punishment," subheading "Department of Correctional Services," sub-subheading "Institutions," to provide that the Department of Correction shall have the authority to utilize State Police Barracks for housing of prisoners, where convenient and practical, and to correct errors therein.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 690 (b) of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Places of Reformation and Punishment," subheading "Department of Correctional Services," sub-subheading "Institutions," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

690.

(b) Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Article or any other law to the contrary, on and after June 1, 1967, judges, in the sentencing of convicted persons \(\begin{align*} (a) \end{align*} (1) \) for any offense for which the provisions of this Article or any other law requires the imprisonment to be served at any one of those institutions enumerated in Section 689 of this Article or \(\begin{align*} (b) \end{align*} (2) \) any offense for which prior to June 1, 1967, the sentence was made for whatever reason to one of those institutions in Section 689, shall in all such cases sentence such persons to the jurisdiction of the Department of Correction. All such persons shall be committed to the custody of the Commissioner of Correction and delivered to him for imprisonment. Thereafter all such persons shall be held, confined in, assigned to or transferred to such of the institutions and facilities under the jurisdiction of the Department as the Department from time to time may order, including State Police Barracks where such use is convenient and practical.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

Approved May 2, 1969.

CHAPTER 448

(Senate Bill 473)

AN ACT to add new Section 700C to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume, 1968 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Places of Reformation and Punishment," subheading "Department of Correctional Services," sub-subheading "Prisoners," to follow immediately after Section 700B thereof, to provide that prisoners may be authorized to leave an institution for the purpose of seeking employment; and to further provide that individuals or small groups of prisoners may