

judge or as may be prescribed by rule or by law. Each chief administrative clerk shall perform such duties in the administration of the District Court as may be assigned him by the administrative judge of his district or as may be prescribed by rule or by law. There shall be in each County a clerk of the District Court whose appointment, term, and compensation shall be prescribed by law. The Chief Judge of the District Court, upon recommendation of the respective administrative judges, shall appoint such deputy clerks, constables, and other officers of the District Court as may be necessary. It shall be the duty of the General Assembly to prescribe by law a fixed compensation for all such officers.

41G.

There shall be district court commissioners in the number and with the qualifications and compensation prescribed by law. Commissioners in a district shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Administrative Judge of the district, subject to the approval of the Chief Judge of the District Court. Commissioners may exercise power only with respect to warrants of arrest, or bail or collateral or other terms of pre-trial release pending hearing, or incarceration pending hearing, and then only as prescribed by law or by rule.

41H.

The salary of a judge of the District Court shall not be reduced during his continuance in office.

41-I.

For the purpose of implementing the amendments to Articles IV, XV and XVII of this Constitution, establishing the District Court, the following provisions shall govern.

(a) If for any reason these amendments are not submitted for adoption or rejection by the legal and qualified voters of the State in November, 1969, but are submitted to such voters in 1970, then whenever a day of a month in the year 1970 is used in these amendments it shall mean the same day and month in the year 1971.

(b) Unless specifically otherwise provided, each of said amendments shall take effect on the first Monday in July, 1970, except those pertaining to the offices of chief judge and chief clerk of the District Court, which said offices shall be created and which said provisions shall take effect on ~~January~~ MAY 1, 1970. On or within ten days after that date, the Governor shall appoint some person qualified under Section 2 of this Article as the first Chief Judge of the District Court, but all subsequent Chief Judges shall be designated as provided in Section 41D of this Article IV.

(c) The General Assembly by law may postpone the effective date of these amendments in any District or Districts which include a county not having a full time People's Court, but only if the County Commissioners or Council of any such County comprising a District, or part thereof, by resolution adopted by them and concurred in by the County Executive, if any, and addressed to the General Assembly no later than January 1 next following adoption of these amendments by the voters, shall first request such postponement. These