

two years, but they shall be subject to removal at any time at the pleasure of the Governor. Such wardens shall receive such compensation for their services as shall be fixed by the Department of Forests and Parks. Forests and park wardens thus appointed shall before entering upon the duties of their office take the proper official oath before the clerk of the court of the county in which they reside, after which they shall, while holding said office, possess and exercise all the authority and power held and exercised by constables at common law under the statutes of this State so far as arresting and prosecuting persons for all violations of any of the forest or park laws or of the laws, rules and regulations enacted or to be enacted for the protection of the State forestry reservations, State parks, historic monuments and recreation areas, or for the protection of the fish and game contained therein are concerned.

(b) The Governor, on recommendation of the *Secretary of Natural Resources*, acting on the advice of the Director of the Department of Forests and Parks, may commission employees of the Department of Forests and Parks as peace officers. Employees of the Department so commissioned and assigned law enforcement duties shall have and may exercise the powers of police officers or constables of this State and such powers may be exercised anywhere within or upon properties owned by the State of Maryland and managed by the Department of Forests and Parks.

#### 405.

Every applicant shall pay to the [Commission,] *Department* at the time of making his application, a fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00); in addition, any applicant who fails to pass any examination, shall pay a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for each re-examination or subsequent examination given to him. Every person to whom a tree expert license has been issued shall pay an annual renewal fee of five dollars (\$5.00). [From the fees collected under this subheading the Commission shall pay all expenses of issuing licenses and traveling expenses of its members in the performance of their duties under this subheading, and if any surplus remains on the thirtieth day of June of each year, this] *Fees received by the Department* shall be paid into the treasury of the State, for the use of the Department of Forests and Parks. [, to the extent that such surplus exceeds one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) which will be retained by the Commission of Forests and Parks as a working fund; provided that no expenses incurred under this subheading shall be charged against the funds of the State of Maryland.] The [Commission] *Director* shall annually report to the [Governor] *Secretary of Natural Resources* the number of licenses issued and the receipts and expenses under this subheading during each fiscal year.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 487, 488, 491, 498, 501, 506, and 660(a) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1967 Replacement Volume and 1968 Supplement), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Mining," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, all to read as follows:

#### 487.

There is hereby created under the Maryland Geological Survey a Bureau to be known as the "Bureau of Mines," hereinafter referred