

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Subsection (16) (e) of Section 108 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Supplement), title "Justices of the Peace," subtitle "Trial Magistrates System," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

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(16) (e) [At the expiration of the term of office of the present clerks of the trial magistrate courts for Prince George's County, and every four years thereafter, there shall be appointed by the chief judge three clerks who shall be employed for the People's Court. Such clerks shall keep all dockets of and supervise and manage the office of said court.] *The Chief Judge of the People's Court shall appoint a Clerk for the People's Court of Prince George's County, and a Deputy Clerk thereof, who, when duly qualified as such, and in the absence of the Clerk, shall have the power and authority to act in the place and stead of the Clerk. The Clerk and Deputy Clerk shall be appointed by the Chief Judge for a period of five years. The Clerk shall keep all dockets of and supervise and manage the central office of the Court, which shall be located in the Courthouse at Upper Marlboro, and shall supervise the management of the branch offices of said Court. The Chief Judge of the People's Court shall establish the Clerks Office of the Court in the Courthouse at Upper Marlboro and branches of the Court at place or places he deems necessary for the efficient operation of the business of the People's Court and the respective offices of the Court shall be managed under the supervision of the Clerk. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the dockets and records of arrests and convictions in traffic violations, and all other traffic records, shall be kept by the [clerks] Clerk in such form and under such plan as may jointly be agreed upon by the [judges] Chief Judge of the People's Court and the Department of Motor Vehicles. [Each clerk] The Clerk shall make proper report at periodic intervals of all traffic convictions and other disposition of traffic cases to the Department of Motor Vehicles in accordance with such agreed plan, and, together therewith, the Clerk shall make remittance of all revenues due the State of Maryland from traffic violation fines and costs to the Department of Motor Vehicles. The Internal Auditor of Prince George's County shall regularly audit the accounts and records of said [clerks] Clerk and shall furnish the Department of Motor Vehicles and the State Comptroller regularly a certificate attesting to the fact that an audit verification of traffic violation fines and costs imposed in the People's Court of Prince George's County has been made, and that all fines and costs due the State of Maryland have been remitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles. [Each clerk] The Clerk shall have custody of all monies paid into the Court for any purpose and shall deposit such monies promptly in an account [in his name] or accounts in the name of the Clerk in Prince George's County [;]. In the absence of or inability to act of the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk shall be authorized to draw on the account or accounts of the said Clerk for the purpose of refunding when necessary any collateral, fines, forfeitures, or costs which have theretofore been deposited in said account or accounts. [each clerk] The Clerk shall prepare, sign and deliver with appropriate remittances to County and State officials such reports of fines, forfeitures and costs as are required of trial magistrates by law [; each clerk shall report the funds in his*