SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969. 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 23, 1969.

## CHAPTER 354 (House Bill 791)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 37(p) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1968 Supplement), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," to provide for an increase in the salary of the Sheriff for Prince George's County, eliminating an automobile allowance but providing a car for his use with maintenance for said car to be provided by Prince George's County.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 37(p) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1968 Supplement), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

37.

- (p) The Sheriff of Prince George's County shall receive an annual salary of [\$6,000 and \$3,000] \$12,000 per year, be provided with an automobile during his term as Sheriff for the use and work of his office within said County, maintenance for said automobile to be at the cost of the County, [for operation and maintenance of his automobile during his term as Sheriff,] and up to \$1,500 per year for expenses which must be submitted to the County Commissioners for approval and which are incurred for the use and work of his office. All full-time employees, including Deputy Sheriffs, jail guards, and jail matrons, appointed by the Sheriff or assigned to him by the County Commissioners for Prince George's County, shall be subject to said County's Merit System as to qualifications, compensation and other regulations, with the exception of one administrative aide, who may be appointed by the Sheriff. Deputy Sheriffs employed prior to, and still on duty as of June 1, 1967, shall be qualified and employed under said County's Merit System as to qualifications, compensation and other regulations.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this Act, as pertains to salary, shall not be construed to extend or apply to the Sheriff of Prince George's County in office on the effective date of this Act but the provisions of this Act shall take effect with the next term of office.