

costs and fines and forfeitures in motor vehicle cases, the provision of facilities for trial of motor vehicle cases, fees of magistrates, issuance of receipts by magistrates, appeals in motor vehicle cases, commitment in default of payment of fines in motor vehicle cases, payment of motor vehicle fines, penalties and forfeitures to the Department of Motor Vehicles, and generally regulating the handling of motor vehicle fines, penalties and forfeitures, and governing certain records and reports of conviction in motor vehicle cases; revising the maximum penalties for certain motor vehicle offenses; providing for the effective date of these amendments and repeals; PROVIDING THAT VIOLATIONS OF THE BUILDING AND ELECTRICAL CODE OF BALTIMORE CITY SHALL BE ACTIONS AT LAW; and relating generally to the District Court.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 141(c), 144, 145(b) and 145(c) (1 THROUGH 3), 147, 149, 151, 153(a), 154(C), 154(d) and 156 of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1966 Replacement Volume, 1970 Cumulative Supplement), title "Courts," subtitle "District Courts," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, AND THAT NEW SECTIONS 145(B)(11) AND 145(E) AND (F) OF SAID CODE AND IN SAID TITLE AND UNDER SAID SUBTITLE, AND TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECTION 145(B)(10) AND SECTION 145(D) THEREOF, with amendments, all to read as follows:

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(c) *In addition to the judges provided for in subsection (a) of this section, there shall be a Chief Judge of the District Court.* The chief judge of the District Court shall be the chief administrative officer of the court and have the responsibility and authority for the maintenance, administration, and operation of the court at all its locations throughout the State. [If a sitting judge is appointed as Chief Judge, the district or county from which the Chief Judge is selected shall be entitled to an additional judge to replace him.] *If the chief judge of the District Court is relieved of his duties as such, but continued in office as a judge of the District Court, he shall serve for the remainder of his term of office as a District Court judge as a resident judge for his district and county of residence without reference to the maximum number of judges for such district prescribed by subsection (a) of this Section.*

144. Qualifications and Pay of Judges, Pensions.

(a) Each judge of the District Court shall have been a citizen of Maryland and a member of the bar of the State for at least five (5) years immediately prior to his appointment and shall be a ~~member~~ RESIDENT of the county or district for which he is a judge. Each District Court judge shall be paid ~~\$25,325~~ \$25,925 per annum. *The chief judge of the District Court, during the period he serves as chief judge, shall receive additional annual salary in an amount which shall make his aggregate annual salary, while serving as chief judge, equivalent to the annual salary then payable to an associate judge of the Court of Special Appeals.* Each judge shall likewise be entitled to mileage, at the rate established for State employees for travel