of Wicomico County shall be allowed such additional sums as may be necessary to defray all expenses of his office, including necessary automobile mileage allowance at the rate of not less than six cents (6 cents) per mile for automobiles used by him and his deputies in the discharge of their official duties, except such mileage shall not be allowed in the event automobiles are furnished to the Sheriff by the County Council of Wicomico County, actual carfare or other transportation expense necessary in the discharge of said duties, necessary telephone and telegraph expense, necessary expense for clerical assistants when the engaging of such assistants or hiring of such assistants is done with the approval of the County Council of Wicomico County. He shall submit properly authenticated requisitions containing a full and complete statement under oath setting forth all of the items of said expense accounts for the month in question, including the names of all deputies and assistants and the amounts allowed to each and all other items of expense, which statement under oath is hereby made the duty of the Sheriff to make up and submit to the said County Council of Wicomico County at the time of each monthly requisition, which sum or sums shall be in lieu of all expenses, fees and costs now or heretofore allowed the Sheriff of Wicomico County for expense in carrying out the duties of his office, including all expenses for transferring prisoners to and from penal institutions and places of confinement in the State of Maryland under the sentence or order of any authorized authority, and said County Council shall not pay said Sheriff for any service he may render in the discharge of his official duties, and other further compensation and shall not be liable in any way for any other fee or compensation to said Sheriff than as above provided, except for the board and keeping of prisoners in the county jail and the payment to him for matron service in managing the domestic economy of the jail and for a cook in said jail as now provided by local law. The County Council of Wicomico County is hereby directed, authorized and empowered to make provisions by appropriation in its annual levy from year to year for sufficient funds to pay the salaries and expenses hereinbefore provided for. All deputies, except the chief deputy; clerical assistants; matrons; cooks and other employees employed hereunder shall be under and subject to the provisions of Article VI, title "Personnel Provisions" of the Charter of Wicomico County and the rules and regulations passed by the County Council pursuant thereto. If a deputy subject to the provisions of Article VI is promoted to chief deputy, then upon his removal from the office of chief deputy for other than cause, he shall revert to a deputy with the same status under the provisions of Article VI which he had prior to his appointment as chief deputy. If a chief deputy was not a deputy subject to the provisions of Article VI prior to his appointment as chief deputy in the event of his removal from office for any reason he shall not automatically revert to a deputy.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to extend or apply to the salary of the Sheriff of Wicomico County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary of the Sheriff of Wicomico County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved April 26, 1973.