service, any necessary insurance to be determined by the commissioners, including any fringe benefits and the reasonable rental cost of uniforms or other equipment used by any off-duty personnel.

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 persons specified by this Act in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary of the persons specified by this Act 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, 1977.

Approved April 29, 1977.

CHAPTER 190

(Senate Bill 564)

AN ACT concerning

Medical Assistance - Eligibility

FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions restricting decreases in public assistance and specifying conditions under which increased social security payments may be considered in determining eliqibility for State medical assistance.

BY repealing

Article 88A - Social Services Administration Section 16 Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 43 — Health Section 42H Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 16 of Article 88A - Social Services Administration, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed: