(a) In time of peace and while engaged in [military service ] STATE ACTIVE DUTY, all officers and enlisted men of the organized militia of the State of Maryland shall be [deemed] workmen of the State for wages within the meaning of this section. — However, if and so long as provision equal to or better than that given under the terms of this article is made by the federal government for an employee of the military department of Maryland injured in the course of employment, such employee is not entitled to the benefit of this article. Should any benefits provided by the federal government be less than those provided by this article, the State and its insurer shall furnish the additional benefit in order to make up the difference between the benefit provided by the federal government and the similar benefit required by this article. - STATE ACTIVE DUTY IS DEFINED AS THAT PERIOD OF TIME FOR WHICH AN EMPLOYEE IS ORDERED TO ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY IN THE ORGANIZED MILITIA OF THE OF MARYLAND BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR FOR SERVICE IN TIME OF CIVIL DISORDER, NATURAL DISASTER, LABOR DISORDERS, SIMILAR ACTIVITIES REQUIRING SUPPORT OF THE STATE MILITIA.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1979.

CHAPTER 650

(House Bill 1545)

AN ACT concerning

Assault on Employees of the Jail

FOR the purpose of placing an employee of any County Jail or Baltimore City Jail under the same law pertaining to the employees of the Division of Corrections or Patuxent Institute when an inmate of these jails are convicted of an assault on an employee providing that the sentence of an inmate for a conviction of assault on an employee of the Baltimore City Jail, or any county jail or detention center shall run consecutive to the sentence under which the inmate was originally confined and that the sentence may not be suspended.

By repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 11E Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)