SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 1985 and Section 3 of this Act shall take effect February 1, 1986.

Approved April 9, 1985.

CHAPTER 55

(House Bill 380)

AN ACT concerning

Military Department - Ranking Line Officer

FOR the purpose of transferring the duties and responsibilities of the ranking line officer to the Adjutant General; correcting references; and generally relating to the offices of ranking line officer and Adjutant General.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 65 - Militia Section 9(d), 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 36, 49, and 53 Annotated Code of Maryland

(1983 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article 65 - Militia

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(d) The Adjutant General, the assistant adjutants general, [the ranking line officer, and other] officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men who are full-time employees of the Military Department are military personnel in an active duty status. They shall be entitled to receive the same per diem pay, including longevity pay, subsistence and allowances, as officers, warrant officers and enlisted men of like grades and length of service in the regular army or air force, as the case may be. Subsistence and allowances shall be accorded the same treatment for income tax purposes under the laws of this State as granted by the United States Internal Revenue Code, and regulations promulgated thereunder for federal income tax purposes; and such subsistence and allowances shall not be used in calculating the salary base for retirement purposes for any employee who is a member of the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland.