

§ 5-1205.

Authority is vested in the state's attorney for the county, whenever, in his discretion, it will be to the interest of the public, to order, with the approval of the court, the clerk of the circuit court for the county to issue summons for witnesses to testify before him, the state's attorney, as to any matter relating to crime committed in the county. Such summons shall be directed to the sheriff of the county, who is authorized and required to serve such process in like manner as if the same issued directly from the court of law. Witnesses summoned and testifying before the state's attorney may be allowed a fee, not to exceed the per diem allowed witnesses in equity cases. †

§ 5-1206.

When any person is summoned to testify before the state's attorney, as provided in the preceding section, and shall refuse or neglect to obey such summons, the state's attorney may apply to the court, who shall forthwith issue an attachment directed to the sheriff against the person named, compelling such witnesses to attend and testify before the state's attorney, returnable on such day as may be named in such attachment. †

§ 5-1207.

Authority is vested in the state's attorney to take the testimony of any witnesses before him, whether summoned or otherwise, under oath, to be administered by the state's attorney in the same form and manner, and in all respects to have the same effect as witnesses are obligated in courts of law. †

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section (a) 5-1205 and 5-1207 of Article 2 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland be transferred, without amendment, to the Session Laws.

SECTION 3. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

Approved May 21, 1985.

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CHAPTER 349

(House Bill 750)

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County - Hunting on Private Land