

CHAPTER 159

(Senate Bill 705)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland State Police - Promotions

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police to appoint certain police employees to the rank of Major or Lieutenant Colonel without examination and outside the merit system; providing that the appointed person will serve at the Superintendent's pleasure; providing for termination of certain appointments; providing for the termination of this Act after a certain date; and generally relating to promotions to the rank of Major or Lieutenant Colonel in the Maryland State Police.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 88B - State Police
Section 19
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1985 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 88B - State Police

19.

(a) All promotions shall be made by the Superintendent.

(b) No police employee shall be appointed or promoted to any rank, except one which requires technical knowledge, unless he shall have filled the rank immediately below that to which he is promoted; but as to any noncommissioned rank which contains less than twenty-five police employees, the Superintendent may by rule direct that it is unnecessary to fill such rank for purposes of promotion. Promotion to any noncommissioned rank shall be made in the manner prescribed by rule. Promotion to any commissioned rank, except deputy superintendent, shall be made from among those persons appearing in any position on a list of eligible persons prepared by the State Commissioner of Personnel in accordance with the merit system.

(c) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW THE SUPERINTENDENT MAY APPOINT, WITHOUT EXAMINATION, ANY POLICE EMPLOYEE HOLDING A COMMISSIONED RANK TO THE RANK OF MAJOR OR LIEUTENANT-COLONEL AND ANY POLICE EMPLOYEE HOLDING A COMMISSIONED RANK OF NOT LESS THAN CAPTAIN TO THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL. A POLICE EMPLOYEE APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PROVISION SHALL CONTINUE TO SERVE AT THE SUPERINTENDENT'S PLEASURE. UPON