## WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

Senate Bill 427, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1988, accomplishes the same purpose for all counties and Baltimore City. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 169.

Sincerely, William Donald Schaefer Governor

House Bill No. 169

AN ACT concerning

Washington County - Prisoners - Medical Expenses

FOR the purpose of authorizing the sheriff of Washington County to collect the cost of any necessary medical care for a sick prisoner from any health insurance, group health plan, or prepaid medical care coverage under which the prisoner is insured; requiring a prisoner who has been provided with necessary medical care to disclose certain information regarding insurance coverage to the sheriff; and generally relating to prisoners in Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 87 - Sheriffs Section 46 Annotated Code of Maryland (1985 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

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

## Article 87 - Sheriffs

46.

- (a) The sheriff shall provide food and board for all prisoners committed to the sheriff's charge and such food and other articles for the comfort of sick prisoners as the physician attending such prisoners may deem necessary, the expense of which shall be paid by the county or Baltimore City.
- (b) In Calvert, Carroll, Charles, [or] St. Mary's, OR WASHINGTON counties, sick, injured, or disabled prisoners shall be responsible for the payment of all medical care, and shall furnish the sheriff with the following information in order to reimburse the county commissioners the cost of medical care: