

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1996.

Approved April 30, 1996.

CHAPTER 241

(House Bill 539)

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County – Fire Police

FOR the purpose of adding Allegany County to the list of counties in which twelve members per fire company may be appointed as deputy sheriffs and in which additional authority for fire police is provided; clarifying that the Sheriff of Allegany County may remove a member of a fire company appointed as deputy sheriff for just cause; making stylistic changes and technical changes regarding the authority of fire police in specified counties; and generally relating to the appointment and authority of fire police in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 87 – Sheriffs

Section 53

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 87 – Sheriffs

53.

(a) (1) The provisions of the foregoing sections in this subtitle shall only apply to [~~Allegany,~~] Baltimore, Cecil, Queen Anne's and Washington Counties[, but the].

(2) THE powers conferred [by virtue hereof upon] UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO members of fire companies shall not apply or be exercised [in incorporated cities, towns or villages which maintain] WITHIN A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION THAT MAINTAINS an organized or regular police force.

(b) (1) The provisions of this subtitle are applicable in ALLEGANY COUNTY, Carroll County, Cecil County, Frederick County, Harford County, Kent County, Somerset County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County, respectively, except as modified in this section.

(2) Twelve members of each fire company may be designated by the captain, chief, or other commanding officer of the fire companies [of these] IN THE counties[,