CHAPTER 741

(House Bill 1265)

AN ACT concerning

State Employees - District Court Employees

FOR the purpose of removing certain clerical, administrative, and full-time constable positions in the District Court of Maryland from the State Personnel Management System; providing that certain clerical, administrative, and constabular employees of the District Court are in the personnel system of the judicial branch; repealing a certain provision of law requiring that the salary of certain commissioners be set by the Secretary of Budget and Management; making a stylistic change; providing that this Act is not intended to affect certain benefits of employees transferred under this Act and that the employees shall be transferred without any diminution of compensation or benefits; and generally relating to employees of the District Court of Maryland.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2-601(b), 2-604(b), and 2-607(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

Section 6-303, 6-401, 9-202(a), and 9-801(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2-601.

(b) Except as [provided in § 2-602 of this subtitle or] otherwise PROVIDED by law, the clerical, administrative, and constabular employees of the District Court shall be appointed by the Chief Judge of the District Court on the recommendation of the administrative judge for the district [and shall be in the skilled service, with the exception of special appointments, in the State Personnel Management System] AND SHALL BE IN THE PERSONNEL SYSTEM OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH.

2-604.

(b) Constables may serve either full time or part time. Full-time constables [are in the skilled service, with the exception of special appointments, in the State Personnel Management System and] shall be paid on the same salary scale as that