

CHAPTER 100.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 410 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Death Penalty," providing for the detention of convicts sentenced to death, and the payment of expenses incurred in connection with such convicts, and further providing for the payment of expenses with regard to all persons sentenced to State institutions.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 410 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Death Penalty," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

410. Immediately upon sentence of death being pronounced upon any convict by any Court of this State, the convict shall be taken into custody by the Sheriff of the county or city wherein he was indicted, and held by him under such guard or guards as the Sheriff shall determine to be necessary, and as soon thereafter as possible, said convict shall be, by the said Sheriff delivered to the Warden of the Maryland Penitentiary, where he shall be placed in solitary confinement under such guard or guards as might be necessary, to await the execution of his sentence by the said Warden as aforesaid. No expense incident to the detention of the said convict in the Maryland Penitentiary, including the expense of guarding, lodging, feeding, clothing and caring for such convict, shall be assessed against, billed to or paid by the County Commissioners of the County where said convict was indicted, or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, if indicted in Baltimore City.

No expense incident to the guarding, lodging, feeding, clothing and caring for any person sentenced to any State institution shall be assessed against, billed to or paid by the County Commissioners of the County where such person was indicted, or the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, if indicted in Baltimore City, irrespective of whether or not the judgment, upon which such sentence is imposed, is thereafter reversed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety,