

because of illness or otherwise shall be unable to perform the duties set forth in this act, the County Commissioners may designate one of the assistants provided for in this act to act as County Accountant and Comptroller to perform any and all of the duties provided by this sub-title.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1941.

Approved April 23, 1941.

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## CHAPTER 822.

(House Bill 857)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 31 of Article 88B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "State Police", sub-title "Pensions", relating to the amount of pensions payable to retired employees of the Maryland State Police.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 31 of Article 88B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "State Police", sub-title "Pensions", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

31. Whenever any of the employees of the Department of Maryland State Police and any of the license examiners of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall have given meritorious service as such employee for a period of ten continuous years, and shall have reached the age of 55 years, such employee shall be eligible for retirement upon his voluntary application or may be retired by the Superintendent of the Department of Maryland State Police, provided such employee be found, after medical examination given by a Medical Board of three physicians, consisting of the Medical Examiner of the Department of Maryland State Police and two other physicians to be selected by the Superintendent of the State Police and acceptable to the State Police Department employee concerned to be physically incapable of performing the duties and services required of him; and in all retirements under the provisions of this section the employee in question shall be paid during the remainder of his natural life a salary or pension, payable monthly, equal to fifty per cent (50%) of his annual salary, said annual salary to be taken as of the year immediately preceding the granting of his