

being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County," sub-title "District Hights", as said section was amended by Chapter 861 of the Acts of 1947, and to enact in lieu thereof a new Section 477(F), to stand in the place and stead of the section so repealed, providing for a police force in the town of District Heights and providing for a referendum thereon.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 477(F) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1943 Edition), being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County," sub-title "District Heights," as said section was amended by Chapter 861 of the Acts of 1947, be and it is hereby repealed and that a new Section 477(F) be and it is hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place and stead of the section so repealed, and to read as follows:*

477.

*(F) The District Heights Commission may appoint such persons as may be necessary from time to time as policemen, whose duties it shall be to preserve the peace and good order of the Town, to arrest without warrant and to take before a Justice of the Peace any person found violating any law of this State, or police ordinance of the Town, or upon warrant issued on complaint of others to arrest any person charged with the violation of any law of the State or police ordinance of the Town, and to take them before a Justice of the Peace to be dealt with according to law, and whenever necessary to incarcerate an offender in such place as may be provided by law, until a speedy trial can be had. For these purposes the said policemen so appointed by the District Heights Commission shall have power within said town to make arrests for the violation of the laws of the State and the police ordinances of the said Town, and to maintain custody of persons outside of the Town while in custody in taking them to a justice or to jail. The District Heights Commission may at its discretion designate one of said policemen as chief of police, and the senior policeman, or, if the District Heights Commission has appointed a chief of police, then the chief of police shall attend the meetings of the District Heights Commission and said officer shall report in writing all violations of the law brought to his notice within the time of the said report and the actions in the premises, which said report shall be filed and recorded*