

PELLATE PROCEEDINGS SETTING THE AMOUNT OF THE PREMIUM TO BE CHARGED FOR SUCH BONDS, directing the Sheriff of said County to keep an index of said bonds and enter on all writs and process directed to him the status of said bonds, providing for funds to be supplied to the Sheriff of said County by the County Council of said County necessary to carry out said provisions, and relating generally to bail bonds in the said County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new Section 4-9A be and it is hereby added to the Montgomery County Code, (1960 Edition, being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Montgomery County", subtitle "Chapter 4.—Bail Bonds," to follow immediately after Section 4-9 thereof, and to read as follows:

4-9A.

*Bond to Guarantee Appearance; Index to be Kept by Sheriff; Council to Supply Funds.*

(a) *In all criminal cases in Montgomery County IN WHICH THE CIRCUIT COURT HAS SOLE TRIAL JURISDICTION all bonds shall be written so as to guarantee the appearance of the defendant at all stages of the proceeding, EXCEPT AN APPELLATE PROCEEDING, before any Judge or Court, and no AND SHALL BE WRITTEN AT A PREMIUM RATE OF 8% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE BOND; AND NO SUCH bond shall be accepted by any Judge, Sheriff, deputy sheriff, Justice of the Peace or clerk of any Court for or in Montgomery County unless it is written in such form. Nothing contained herein shall limit the power of any Justice of the Peace, Judge or Court at any stage of the proceeding to increase or reduce the amount of said bond, NOR SHALL ANYTHING CONTAINED HEREIN APPLY TO BONDS WRITTEN TO GUARANTEE THE APPEARANCE OF THE DEFENDANT AT ANY APPELLATE PROCEEDING.*

(b) *Any Judge, Justice of the Peace, Sheriff, deputy sheriff or clerk of any Court for or in Montgomery County, receiving or accepting said bail bonds, shall forward within twenty-four hours copies of all bonds written pursuant to subsection (a) hereof to the Sheriff of Montgomery County, who shall keep a properly indexed record of each defendant for whom a bail bond is received and accepted as aforesaid, the number of the case, indictment, information or warrant, the crime or crimes charged, the amount and type bond and any forfeiture thereof; and it shall be the duty of said Sheriff to enter on writs and process directed to him, affecting a defendant for whom a bail bond has been received and accepted as aforesaid, whether or not the bond of the defendant is in full force and effect or has been forfeited. The County Council for Montgomery County shall provide such funds to the Sheriff of Montgomery County as may be necessary to carry out the provisions hereof.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved April 29, 1966.