

equipping, repairing and operating any housing unit or housing units, and inasmuch as each such housing unit shall at all times belong to the State, such covenant shall have the force of contract between *the State of Maryland acting by* the Board of Trustees and and the holders of the revenue bonds or revenue refunding bonds issued on account of such project or projects.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 248L to 248U, inclusive, of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Cumulative Supplement), title "Public Education," subtitle "Chapter 25. Miscellaneous," as enacted by Chapter 693 of the Laws of Maryland of 1967, be and they are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1968.

Approved April 10, 1968.

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#### CHAPTER 143

(Senate Bill 367)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 4 of Article 38 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Fines and Forfeitures", amending the laws relating to confinement for nonpayment of fines.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 4 of Article 38 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Fines and Forfeitures", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

**4.**

Any person who shall or may hereafter be committed to jail on any charge, including contempt of court, by the judgment of any court or by any justice of the peace of this State, for nonpayment of any fine and costs, shall be confined one day for ~~each dollar~~ *every two dollars* of fine and costs but in no event shall be confined more than thirty days for fine and costs amounting to one hundred dollars, nor more than sixty days for fine and costs exceeding one hundred dollars but not more than five hundred dollars nor more than ninety days for fine and costs exceeding five hundred dollars. All periods of confinement imposed under the provisions of this section because of nonpayment of two or more fines and costs shall run concurrently unless it shall be specified by the court or justice of the peace that said periods shall run consecutively.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of this Act shall only be construed prospectively and shall not be applied or interpreted to have any retrospective effect.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved April 10, 1968.

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