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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County - Sheriff - Full-Time Assistant ~~Sheriff~~ Sheriffs**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~increasing~~ altering the number of full-time assistant sheriffs in
4 that the Sheriff of Calvert County may appoint; and generally relating to
5 full-time assistant sheriffs in Calvert County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
8 Section 2-309(f)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

14 2-309.

15 (f) (1) The Sheriff of Calvert County shall receive an annual salary of
16 \$51,000.

17 (2) The Sheriff may appoint deputy sheriffs in the number and at the
18 salary approved by the County Commissioners. The deputy sheriffs shall serve under
19 the direction of the Sheriff. Within one year of their appointment, they shall complete
20 the course prescribed for police officers by the Maryland Police Training Commission.
21 The deputy sheriffs funded by the County Commissioners will become merit system
22 employees of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office upon completion of their initial

1 probation period and may not be dismissed without cause, except the deputy sheriffs
2 funded through grants or other sources may be dismissed without cause when the
3 funding source is depleted. There may be no honorary deputy sheriffs of Calvert
4 County and no one is authorized to carry badges, certificates, or other materials for
5 the purpose of identifying the bearer as an honorary deputy sheriff. However, the
6 Sheriff may appoint as special deputy sheriffs any members of the police force of the
7 towns of North Beach or Chesapeake Beach who shall have all of the powers and
8 authority of the deputy sheriffs. The County Commissioners are authorized to
9 reimburse the towns of North Beach and Chesapeake Beach in whole or in part for
10 services performed by the special deputy sheriffs outside the town limits.

11 (3) The Sheriff may appoint [1] 2 full-time assistant [sheriff] SHERIFFS
12 who shall:

13 (i) Serve under the direction of the Sheriff; and

14 (ii) Be designated by the Sheriff as a line officer.

15 (4) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, any
16 Sheriff of Calvert County who, since 1948, has served for three or more terms shall
17 receive a pension when he leaves office in the annual amount of \$150 for each year
18 served. This pension shall be paid not less frequently than once a month.

19 (ii) This paragraph does not apply to a term of office that begins on
20 or after July 1, 1988.

21 (5) (i) The County Commissioners of Calvert County may provide in
22 their annual budget for a pension to be paid to the surviving spouse, if any, of any
23 Sheriff of Calvert County who was in office as of October, 1970.

24 (ii) The pension shall be in the amount of \$250 a month and shall
25 be paid to the surviving spouse, if any, for the life of that surviving spouse.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 July 1, 2000.