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House Bill 552

(Carroll County Delegation)

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Carroll County - Sheriff's Salary

This bill increases the annual salary of the Carroll County Sheriff from \$65,000 to \$71,532 beginning December 5, 2006. The bill provides for yearly salary increases until the annual salary reaches \$75,910 beginning December 8, 2009.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Carroll County personnel expenditures would increase by approximately \$5,100 in FY 2007 and by \$14,700 in FY 2011. Revenues would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The current annual salary of the Carroll County Sheriff is \$65,000. Salary adjustments for constitutional officers take effect at the beginning of the next term of office, which for the Carroll County Sheriff is December 5, 2006.

Background: The annual salary of the Carroll County Sheriff was last changed by Chapter 623 of 2001 when it increased from \$45,000 to \$50,000 in December 2002. The Act provided an annual increase of \$5,000 until the salary reached \$65,000 in December 2005. **Exhibit 1** shows the fiscal 2005 actual salaries of sheriffs for selected Maryland counties.

Exhibit 1
Sheriffs' Salaries for Selected Counties
Fiscal 2005 Actuals

<u>County</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Anne Arundel	508,572	\$88,121
Baltimore City	636,251	72,000
Baltimore	780,821	70,000
Carroll*	166,159	55,000
Frederick	217,653	79,999
Harford	235,594	90,000
Howard	266,738	63,500

*The Carroll County Sheriff's salary reflects the annual salary in effect at the start of fiscal 2005.

Source: *Compensation Survey of Maryland Local Governments, FY 2005*, Institute for Governmental Service, University of Maryland

Local Fiscal Effect: Carroll County personnel expenditures would increase by \$5,144 in fiscal 2007, reflecting the seven-month period of December 2006 through June 2007, and by \$14,729 in fiscal 2011 for increased compensation to the Carroll County Sheriff. This estimate assumes a constant employer contribution rate for fringe benefits of 35% as advised by the county. **Exhibit 2** shows the proposed salary amounts for the Carroll County Sheriff and **Exhibit 3** shows the corresponding increase in compensation for fiscal 2007 through 2011.

Exhibit 2
Proposed Salary for Carroll County Sheriff

	<u>Salary Amount</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Current Law	\$65,000	
December 2006	71,532	10.0%
December 2007	72,963	2.0
December 2008	74,422	2.0
December 2009	75,910	2.0

Exhibit 3
Increased Compensation for the Carroll County Sheriff
Fiscal 2007 – 2011

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Salary Increase</u>	<u>Fringe Benefits</u>	<u>Total Increase</u>
2007	\$3,810	\$1,334	\$5,144
2008	7,367	2,578	9,945
2009	8,814	3,085	11,899
2010	10,290	3,602	13,892
2011	10,910	3,819	14,729

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Carroll County; *Compensation Survey of Maryland Local Governments, FY 2005*, Institute for Governmental Service, University of Maryland; Department of Legislative Services

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