Chapter 52

(Senate Bill 146)

AN ACT concerning

Harford County - State's Attorney - Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the annual salary of the State's Attorney of Harford County to be equal to the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland; repealing a certain salary adjustment method; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney of Harford County while serving in a certain term of office; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the salary of the State's Attorney of Harford County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 15–413(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 15–413(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Article - Criminal Procedure

15-413.

- (a) This section applies only in Harford County.
- (b) (1) The State's Attorney's ANNUAL salary is [\$98,500] EQUAL TO THE SALARY OF A JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND.
- [(2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, on or after July 1 of each year, the salary shall be adjusted using the annual Consumer Price Index that is published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics:
 - (i) for the period ending each December;
 - (ii) for all regions; and

- (iii) to reflect the annual change in the "Consumer Price Index" for "All urban consumers" for the expenditure category "All items not seasonally adjusted".
- (3) The annual adjustment under paragraph (2) of this subsection may not exceed 3% in a fiscal year.]
- [(4)] **(2)** The county government shall pay all reasonable expenses for the conduct of the office.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney of Harford County while serving in a term of office beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney of Harford County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does not apply to an individual appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out an unexpired term.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2016.

Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2016.