

# SENATE BILL 298

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By: **Senator Waugh**

Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2017

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **St. Mary's County – Sheriff, County Treasurer, and State's Attorney – Salaries**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the Sheriff of St. Mary's County, the County  
4 Treasurer of St. Mary's County, and the State's Attorney for St. Mary's County;  
5 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the salaries of  
6 public officials of St. Mary's County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
9 Section 2–309(t)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
13 Article – Criminal Procedure  
14 Section 15–419(a)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Criminal Procedure  
19 Section 15–419(b)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
23 Article – Local Government  
24 Section 16–203  
25 Annotated Code of Maryland  
26 (2013 Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

3 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

4 2–309.

5 (t) (1) The annual salary of the Sheriff of St. Mary’s County shall be:

6 (i) \$100,000 for the calendar year 2015;

7 (ii) \$102,000 for the calendar year 2016;

8 (iii) \$104,040 for the calendar year 2017; and

9 (iv) **[\$106,120 for the calendar year 2018] BEGINNING IN**  
10 **CALENDAR YEAR 2018, EQUAL TO THE SALARY OF A DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE**  
11 **LIEUTENANT COLONEL, AT THE HIGHEST AVAILABLE STEP FOR A LIEUTENANT**  
12 **COLONEL UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE PAY PLAN IN EFFECT ON THE**  
13 **DAY BEFORE THE DAY THAT THE SHERIFF BEGINS A TERM OF OFFICE.**

14 (2) The Sheriff shall devote full time to the duties of office.

15 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

16 15–419.

17 (a) This section applies only in St. Mary’s County.

18 (b) (1) (i) The State’s Attorney’s salary is **[90% of] EQUAL TO** the salary of  
19 a judge of the District Court of Maryland and shall be paid biweekly.

20 (ii) A salary increase shall take effect at the beginning of the elected  
21 term of office and may not increase during the term of office.

22 (2) (i) The county commissioners shall provide for the administrative  
23 support staff, independent office facilities, office equipment, supplies, books, and other  
24 items necessary for the operation of the office.

25 (ii) The State’s Attorney shall present vouchers to the county  
26 commissioners for the payment of office expenses.

27 **Article – Local Government**

28 16–203.

- 1           (a)    The annual salary of the County Treasurer of St. Mary's County is:
- 2                   (1)    \$50,000 for calendar year 2015;
- 3                   (2)    \$50,500 for calendar year 2016;
- 4                   (3)    \$51,005 for calendar year 2017; and
- 5                   (4)    [~~\$51,515~~] **\$63,000** for calendar year 2018.
- 6           (b)    The County Treasurer of St. Mary's County shall devote full time to the duties  
7 of office.

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

17           SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
18 October 1, 2017.