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**THE SENATE OF MARYLAND**  
**ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401**

Senate Bill 501 – Garrett County – Sheriff’s Salary – Alteration

February 5, 2024

Dear Chairman Smith, Vice Chairman Waldstreicher, and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to strongly endorse Senate Bill 521, which aims to alter the salary of the Sheriff of Garrett County; and repeal the requirement for the Garrett County Salary Study Commission to study and issue a report that contains recommendations relating to the salary of the Sheriff.

The Sheriff of Garrett County deserves fair compensation for the requirements of the position. The Sheriff currently makes The Sheriff shall receive 80% of the salary of the State’s Attorney of Garrett County which is studied by the commission to be increased or decreased based upon their findings. The commission already studies the salary of the State’s Attorney of Garrett County therefore it’s unnecessary for the commission to study the salary of the sheriff as the sheriff will make 80% of the salary of the State’s Attorney.

I appreciate your attention to this important matter and urge you to support the passage of Senate Bill 521.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike McKay".

Senator Mike McKay

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