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The Senate Environment and Transportation Committee
SB 717 – Somerset County – Salaries of Local Officials – Increase
Statement of Support by Bill Sponsor Senator Mary Beth Carozza

Thank you Chair Korman, Vice Chair Boyce, and members of the distinguished House Environment and Transportation Committee for this opportunity to present Senate Bill 717 – Somerset County – Salaries of Local Officials – Increase.

SB 717 unanimously passed the Senate, and the crossfile, House Bill 844, sponsored by Delegate Chales Otto, unanimously passed the House and was approved by the Senate Education, Energy and Environment Committee on March 19th. The Somerset County Delegation supports this legislation.

This local legislation would increase and provide updated salaries of the Somerset County Sheriff, the County Commissioners of Somerset County, the President of the County Commissioners of Somerset County, and members of the County Roads Board of Somerset County to be on par with surrounding counties. For reference, salaries were last increased in 2022 after passage of Senate Bill 439 and House Bill 382.

I thank you for your kind attention and consideration, and I respectfully request a favorable report on SB 717.