



Anne Arundel County Sheriff's Office

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Chairman William Smith  
Judicial Proceedings Committee  
Maryland Senate

Dear Chairman Smith,

As the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County, I write to express my strong support for Senate Bill 298, which would grant statewide jurisdiction to the Department of General Services, Maryland Capitol Police (MCP).

This legislation would allow MCP to operate uniformly across Maryland, ensuring continuity in the investigation of crimes, traffic offenses, and other incidents occurring on properties within their primary jurisdiction.

At a time when many law enforcement agencies are challenged by personnel shortages, Senate Bill 298 offers a strategic advantage by establishing concurrent jurisdiction. While traveling between areas of responsibility, MCP officers would have the authority to deter, stop, and detain individuals engaged in criminal activity until local units arrive. This enhanced capability would significantly strengthen public safety and reinforce Maryland's statewide law enforcement network.

Additionally, all state, county, and municipal law enforcement agencies in Maryland adhere to the rigorous training standards established by the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission and are subject to the Maryland Police Accountability Act. This oversight ensures consistent, professional service whenever MCP exercises authority within a concurrent jurisdiction.

I look forward to the passage of this legislation and to the continued partnership with Colonel Wilson and the Maryland Capitol Police.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Everett Sesker  
Anne Arundel County

