
By: Howard County Delegation

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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Howard County - Sheriff - Primary Duties**

3 **Ho. Co. 8-96**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~clarifying certain duties of the Sheriff for Howard County~~
5 eliminating the requirement that the Sheriff of Howard County perform certain
6 duties for certain courts.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
9 Section 2-309(o)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

15 2-309.

16 (o) (1) (i) The Sheriff of Howard County shall receive an annual salary as
17 follows:

- 18 1. \$39,500 for calendar year 1995;
- 19 2. \$41,000 for calendar year 1996;
- 20 3. \$42,500 for calendar year 1997; and
- 21 4. \$44,000 for calendar year 1998 and thereafter.

1 (ii) The Sheriff shall appoint the number of deputies authorized by the
2 County government. The compensation of the deputies shall be set by the County
3 government. A deputy holds office at the pleasure of the Sheriff and may be removed by
4 the Sheriff at any time or by the Circuit Court for Howard County upon indictment and
5 conviction as provided by law. The Sheriff may appoint additional temporary deputy
6 sheriffs when necessary for the public safety and the County government shall allow them
7 reasonable compensation. These deputies may not serve longer than the case actually
8 requires.

9 (2) The primary duties of the Sheriff are the following:

10 (i) The security of [State and county courts] THE CIRCUIT COURT,
11 and the performance of such duties as may be required of them by [the courts] THAT
12 COURT;

13 (ii) The service of process of writs, summonses, orders, petitions,
14 subpoenas, warrants, orders to show cause, and other legal papers; and

15 (iii) Additional duties, including law enforcement as may be requested
16 by law enforcement or other criminal justice agencies, the [courts] CIRCUIT COURT, or
17 the county government, when necessary for the public safety.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 1996.