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**By: Prince George's County Delegation**

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - State's Attorney's Office - ~~Salaries~~ Assistant State's Attorneys**  
3 **PG 312-97**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the number of assistant State's Attorneys that may be  
5 appointed in the State's Attorney's Office in Prince George's County; ~~altering the~~  
6 ~~maximum salaries of certain deputy State's Attorneys, assistant State's Attorneys~~  
7 ~~and the administrative assistant in the State's Attorney's Office; and generally~~  
8 ~~relating to salaries in the Office of the State's Attorney of Prince George's County.~~

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article 10 - Legal Officials  
11 Section 40(q)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (1996 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article 10 - Legal Officials**

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18 (q) In Prince George's County:

19 (1) (i) The State's Attorney's annual salary shall be:

20 1. \$98,000 for calendar year 1995;

21 2. \$98,000 for calendar year 1996;

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1 3. \$101,000 for calendar year 1997; and

2 4. \$104,000 for calendar year 1998 and for each subsequent  
3 calendar year.

4 (ii) The State's Attorney may not, except in connection with duties as  
5 State's Attorney, appear as counsel or represent any party professionally before any  
6 court, board, commission, or agency of this State or any county or political subdivision of  
7 this State. The State's Attorney may not engage in the private practice of law but may  
8 participate in the pro bono program administered by the Prince George's County Bar  
9 Foundation.

10 (2) The State's Attorney may appoint 2 deputy State's Attorneys and [54]  
11 ~~63~~ 57 assistant State's Attorneys. The deputy State's Attorneys and assistant State's  
12 Attorneys serve at the pleasure of the State's Attorney.

13 (3) The annual salary of the deputy State's Attorneys shall be within the  
14 discretion of the State's Attorney, but may not exceed ~~[\$86,500]~~ ~~\$90,000~~. The salaries are  
15 to be paid by the County on the certification of the State's Attorney to the County  
16 Executive and County Council.

17 (4) The annual salary of the assistant State's Attorneys shall be within the  
18 discretion of the State's Attorney, but may not exceed ~~[\$77,850]~~ ~~\$82,000~~. The salaries are  
19 to be paid by the County on the certification of the State's Attorney to the County  
20 Executive and County Council.

21 (5) The deputy State's Attorneys and the assistant State's Attorneys, except  
22 in connection with their duties as deputy State's Attorneys and assistant State's  
23 Attorneys, may not appear as counsel or represent any party professionally before any  
24 court, board, commission or agency of this State or any county or political subdivision of  
25 this State. The deputy State's Attorneys and assistant State's Attorneys may not engage in  
26 the private practice of law, but may participate in the pro bono program administered by  
27 the Prince George's County Bar Foundation.

28 (6) The deputy State's Attorneys and the assistant State's Attorneys shall  
29 perform whatever work as may be directed by the State's Attorney, or as authorized by  
30 law, and under the direction of the State's Attorney may present cases to the grand juries,  
31 sign indictments and criminal informations, and perform whatever other acts and duties  
32 in relation to the grand juries and in the operation of the office as are necessary and  
33 proper.

34 (7) The State's Attorney may appoint an administrative assistant to serve at  
35 the pleasure of the State's Attorney. The annual salary of the administrative assistant  
36 shall be within the discretion of the State's Attorney, but may not exceed ~~[\$47,000]~~  
37 ~~\$50,000~~. The salary is to be paid by the County on the certification of the State's Attorney  
38 to the County Executive and County Council. The administrative assistant is not subject  
39 to the rules and regulations of the County merit system, but shall be entitled to all  
40 benefits provided for County employees under the merit system.

41 (8) The salary and expenses of the State's Attorney, the deputy State's  
42 Attorneys, and the assistant State's Attorneys shall be paid in equal semimonthly  
43 installments.

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1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2 July 1, 1997.