

Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1174 (Delegate C. Mitchell, *et al.*)

Commerce and Government Matters

Baltimore City - Sheriff - Salary

This bill increases the salary of the Baltimore City Sheriff from \$56,000 to: (1) \$62,000 in calendar 1999; (2) \$64,000 in calendar 2000; (3) \$67,000 in calendar 2001; and (4) \$70,000 in calendar 2002 and each year thereafter.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Retirement expenditures would increase by a minimal amount as discussed below. No effect on revenues.

Local Effect: Baltimore City expenditures would increase by \$3,300 in FY 1999; \$7,700 in FY 2000; \$10,400 in FY 2001; \$13,800 in FY 2002; and \$15,400 annually thereafter. No effect on revenues.

Small Business Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect small businesses.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: The State is responsible for making the retirement contributions for the Baltimore City Sheriff. Based on the State's fiscal 1998 employer's contribution rate of 8.21% of salary, expenditures would increase by \$246 in fiscal 1999; \$575 in fiscal 2000; \$780 in fiscal 2001; \$1,026 in fiscal 2002; and \$1,149 annually thereafter. Actual increases will depend upon the contribution rate in effect for any given year.

Local Effect: Under existing law, the Baltimore City Sheriff's salary is \$56,000 annually, excluding fringe benefits. On a fiscal year basis, this corresponds to a salary and fringe benefits of \$61,600 annually, reflecting fringe benefits at 10% of salaries. The bill increases the salary incrementally over the next several calendar years. Beginning in calendar 2002, the salary would be fixed at \$70,000 annually. Since the salaries are based on calendar years, the out-year fiscal impact would reflect salary increases covering two calendar years. As a result, expenditures would increase by \$3,300 in fiscal 1999. This estimate reflects the salary increase for six months and fringe benefits at 10% of the salary. Future expenditure increases would be \$7,700 in fiscal 2000; \$10,450 in fiscal 2001; and \$13,750 in fiscal 2002. Beginning in fiscal 2003, expenditures would increase by \$15,400 annually over fiscal 1998 levels, reflecting the additional salary increase and fringe benefits.

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