
By: **St. Mary's County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **St. Mary's County - State's Attorney - Investigators**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that investigators in the office of the St. Mary's County
4 State's Attorney shall be in the county merit system but may not receive certain
5 benefits; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to
6 investigators in the office of the St. Mary's County State's Attorney.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article 10 - Legal Officials
9 Section 40(s)(3)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

14 **Article 10 - Legal Officials**

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16 (s) (3) (i) The State's Attorney may appoint a deputy State's Attorney, two
17 or more assistant State's Attorneys and one or more investigators.

18 (ii) The deputy State's Attorney[,] AND the assistant State's
19 Attorneys [and the investigators] may be part-time or full-time employees and shall
20 serve at the pleasure of the State's Attorney.

21 (III) THE INVESTIGATORS:

22 1. MAY BE PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES; AND

23 2. SHALL BE IN THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY MERIT SYSTEM, BUT
24 MAY NOT RECEIVE RETIREMENT OR MEDICAL BENEFITS.

25 [(iii)] (IV) The County Commissioners shall make available to the
26 State's Attorney an annual sum from which the State's Attorney shall appropriate

1 salaries for the deputy State's Attorney, the assistant State's Attorneys, and the
2 investigators.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
4 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety,
5 has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
6 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
7 the date it is enacted.