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House Bill 1236 (Delegates O'Donnell and Owings)

Commerce and Government Matters

Calvert County - Sheriff - Full-Time Assistant Sheriffs

This bill adds a second full-time assistant sheriff, appointed by the sheriff, in Calvert County.

The bill is effective July 1, 2000.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Assistant sheriffs are supported by the counties.

Local Effect: Calvert County general fund expenditures would increase by approximately \$94,163 in FY 2001 to fund the salary and fringe benefits of the additional position as well as the cost of annual expenses and an additional vehicle.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Sheriff of Calvert County may appoint one full-time assistant sheriff.

Background: Calvert County has no county police force; the Office of the Sheriff of Calvert County is the primary law enforcement body, responsible for patrolling the county and investigating many of the crimes occurring there. The Office of the Sheriff serves criminal warrants as well as civil process and operates the county detention center. The office provides courtroom and courthouse security as well as courthouse custody of prisoners. The sheriff's office is also responsible for the transport of detainees from the detention center to the courthouses and the transport of juvenile prisoners.

Local Expenditures: Calvert County expenditures could increase by an estimated \$94,163 in fiscal 2001 for one additional assistant sheriff. The estimate includes the salary (\$55,000),

fringe benefits, a one-time cost for a new vehicle, and ongoing operating expenses. Future year expenditures, starting at an estimated \$81,031 in fiscal 2002 and rising to an estimated \$89,097 in fiscal 2005, reflect the full salary of the assistant sheriff with 3% annual increases and 5% annual increases in ongoing operating expenses.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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