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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1230 (Prince George's County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

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Prince George's County Sheriff's Office - Compensation

PG 313-01

This bill increases the salaries of the chief assistant sheriff and the three assistant sheriffs in Prince George's County. The chief assistant sheriff will receive an annual salary of \$68,357 and the assistant sheriffs will each receive \$67,200.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Prince George's County expenditures increase by \$10,000 in FY 2002 due to the bill's effective date of October 1, 2001. Future year expenditures increase by \$13,300 annually. Revenues would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The chief assistant sheriff is paid a set salary of \$65,728 and the three assistant sheriffs are paid set salaries of \$64,615.

Background: The Prince George's County Sheriff's Office is responsible for serving criminal warrants and civil process and provides court security and custody services in the county's courts. The office also transports adult and juvenile prisoners and is responsible for the commitment of mentally ill patients. The county police force is

responsible for other local law enforcement functions. Currently, there are no assistant sheriff vacancies.

Local Expenditures: The bill provides for a \$2,629 salary increase for the chief assistant sheriff and a \$2,585 salary increase for each of the three assistant sheriffs. Calculating the salary increases including a 28% fringe benefit rate, the total increase in Prince George's County expenditures would be \$9,969 in fiscal 2002 which accounts for the bill's October 1, 2001 effective date. On an annualized basis the increase is \$13,292 assuming salaries remain constant.

Additional Comments: The General Assembly has increased the salaries of the chief assistant sheriff and the assistant sheriffs for each of the last three years. The chief assistant sheriff salary has increased from \$61,360 in fiscal 1998, to \$63,200 in fiscal 1999, and to \$65,728 in fiscal 2000. The assistant sheriff salaries have increased from \$60,320 in fiscal 1998, to \$62,130 in fiscal 1999, and to \$64,615 in fiscal 2000. These salary increases represent raises of 4% pursuant to Chapter 269 of 1998, 3% pursuant to Chapter 463 of 1999, and 4% pursuant to Chapter 162 of 2000.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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