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**FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 295 (Frederick County Delegation)

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**Frederick County - Sheriff's Salary**

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This bill increases the salary of the Sheriff of Frederick County from \$50,000 to \$80,000 beginning with the next term of office.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Frederick County expenditures would increase by \$17,500 in FY 2003 and by \$35,000 each year beginning in FY 2004. Revenues would not be affected.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** The Sheriff of Frederick County makes an annual salary of \$50,000. Salary adjustments for constitutional officers take effect at the beginning of the next term of office, which begins in January 2003 for the Sheriff of Frederick County.

**Background:** The Frederick County Sheriff's Office is responsible for serving civil process and criminal warrants, security for the circuit court, transport of prisoners, operation of the detention center, extradition of defendants, criminal investigations, and traffic control. The salary of the Sheriff of Frederick County was last changed from \$40,000 to \$50,000 in 1998 (Chapter 518 of 1997). The current Sheriff of Frederick County is a retired State police officer and is not eligible to receive a second State retirement benefit.

**Local Fiscal Effect:** Frederick County expenditures will increase by \$17,475 in fiscal 2003 for additional salary and fringe benefits (16.5%), which accounts for the beginning of the Sheriff's next term of office in January 2003. Frederick County expenditures would increase by approximately \$34,950 each fiscal year thereafter.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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