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By: **Dorchester County Delegation**  
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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Dorchester County - County Commissioners - Salaries and Compensation**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the salaries of the County Commissioners of  
4 Dorchester County; establishing a salary for the President of the County  
5 Commissioners of Dorchester County; authorizing County Commissioners and  
6 President of the County Commissioners to receive certain additional  
7 compensation; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or  
8 compensation of the incumbent County Commissioners and President of the  
9 County Commissioners of Dorchester County; and generally relating to the  
10 salaries and compensation of the County Commissioners and President of the  
11 County Commissioners of Dorchester County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 The Public Local Laws of Dorchester County  
14 Section 10-2  
15 Article 10 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
16 (1984 Edition and July 2001 Supplement, as amended)

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

19 **Article 10 - Dorchester County**

20 10-2.

21 A. [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE  
22 annual salary of each County Commissioner shall be [twelve thousand dollars  
23 (\$12,000.)] FOURTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$14,000). A County Commissioner may

1 [not] receive [any] other compensation, [except] INCLUDING COMPENSATION for  
2 expenses actually incurred in the performance of the duties of office. Payment of these  
3 expenses shall be by voucher submitted by each County Commissioner.

4 B. THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNTY  
5 COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000). THE PRESIDENT  
6 OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY RECEIVE OTHER COMPENSATION,  
7 INCLUDING COMPENSATION FOR EXPENSES ACTUALLY INCURRED IN THE  
8 PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES OF OFFICE. PAYMENT OF THESE EXPENSES SHALL  
9 BE BY VOUCHER SUBMITTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III,  
11 Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or  
12 apply to the salary or compensation of the County Commissioners or President of the  
13 County Commissioners of Dorchester County in office on the effective date of this Act,  
14 but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the County  
15 Commissioners or President of the County Commissioners of Dorchester County shall  
16 take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

17 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
18 July 1, 2002.