SENATE BILL 14

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By: **Senator Baker** Requested: July 3, 2001

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Circuit Court Clerks - Salary

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the maximum salary that the Board of Public Works may
- 4 set for a clerk of a circuit court; repealing the minimum salaries for the clerks of
- 5 the circuit courts; and providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or
- 6 compensation of an incumbent clerk.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 9 Section 2-504
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

- 15 2-504.
- 16 (a) The clerk of each circuit court shall receive an annual salary of not [less
- 17 than \$10,000 or] more than [\$75,000] \$85,000 as set by the Board of Public Works on
- 18 the basis of the relative volume of business and receipts in [his] THE CLERK'S office.
- 19 [In Baltimore City, the clerk's salary may not be less than \$12,000.]
- 20 (b) A clerk shall devote his full working time to the duties of [his] THE
- 21 CLERK'S office and is entitled to the salary prescribed in subsection (a).
- 22 (c) The salary of a clerk is payable biweekly.
- 23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III,
- 24 Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or
- 25 apply to the salary or compensation of the clerk of each circuit court in office on the
- 26 effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or

- 1 compensation of the clerk of each circuit court shall take effect at the beginning of the 2 next following term of office.
- 3 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 4 October 1, 2002.