

Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 291

(Senator McFadden)

Judicial Proceedings

Judiciary

Baltimore City - Sheriff and Deputy Sheriffs - Expense Allowance

This bill reduces from \$1,200 to \$1,000 the total annual expense allowance provided to the sheriff of Baltimore City. The bill also provides that each deputy sheriff receives an expense allowance of \$200 annually for: (1) ammunition for practice sessions at the range; (2) dry cleaning and clothing maintenance; and (3) other purchases and maintenance costs to fulfill duties not furnished by the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. This bill codifies existing practice.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The sheriff of Baltimore City is entitled to a \$1,000 unrestricted annual expense allowance and a \$200 allowance annually for: (1) ammunition for practice sessions at the range; (2) dry cleaning and clothing maintenance; and (3) other purchases and maintenance costs to fulfill duties not furnished by the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office. Statute does not provide for expense allowances for deputy sheriffs.

Background: Baltimore City advises that the sheriff currently receives a \$1,000 annual expense allowance, and each deputy sheriff currently receives a \$200 annual expense allowance. There are 100 deputy sheriffs in Baltimore City: one chief deputy sheriff,

two deputy sheriff majors, two deputy sheriff captains, four deputy sheriff lieutenants, four deputy sergeants, one administrative officer II sheriff, one secretary sheriff, one fiscal associate II sheriff, one fiscal clerk sheriff, and 83 deputy sheriffs. The Baltimore City sheriff's office is primarily responsible for serving civil processes, providing court security, and transporting prisoners.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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