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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **Cecil County - Sheriff's Department - Law Enforcement and Correctional**  
3                                   **Officers**

4 FOR the purpose of specifying that law enforcement officers and correctional officers  
5 of the Sheriff's department in Cecil County may be terminated only for just  
6 cause; making conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to the  
7 Sheriff's department in Cecil County.

8 BY renumbering  
9 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
10 Section 2-309(i)(1)(viii)  
11 to be Section 2-309(i)(1)(ix)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
15 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
16 Section 2-309(i)(1)(iii) and(vii)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

19 BY adding to  
20 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
21 Section 2-309(i)(1)(viii)  
22 Annotated Code of Maryland

1 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

2 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
3 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 2-309(i)(1)(viii) of Article - Courts and Judicial  
4 Proceedings of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s)  
5 2-309(i)(1)(ix).

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
7 read as follows:

8 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

9 2-309.

10 (i) (1) (iii) 1. The Sheriff shall appoint a chief deputy sheriff, a  
11 community adult rehabilitation center administrator, a detention center director, a  
12 detention center deputy director, a law enforcement director, law enforcement  
13 personnel, and a personal secretary to the Sheriff], who shall serve at the pleasure of  
14 the Sheriff].

15 2. The Sheriff may remove the chief deputy sheriff,  
16 community adult rehabilitation center administrator, detention center director,  
17 detention center deputy director, law enforcement director, and personal secretary to  
18 the Sheriff at any time whether or not for cause.

19 (vii) Except for the chief deputy sheriff, community adult  
20 rehabilitation center administrator, detention center director, detention center deputy  
21 director, law enforcement director, law enforcement personnel, and personal secretary  
22 to the Sheriff, all employees of the Sheriff's department:

23 1. Shall be governed by the rank, salary, and benefit  
24 structures of the Cecil County personnel policy; and

25 2. [Upon] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (VIII)  
26 OF THIS PARAGRAPH, UPON completion of the probationary period, shall be subject to  
27 the Cecil County personnel regulations and policies in all matters.

28 (VIII) LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS  
29 OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MAY BE TERMINATED ONLY FOR JUST CAUSE.

30 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
31 effect October 1, 2004.

