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By: Senator Currie

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Circuit Court Clerks - Salary

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the method of setting the annual salary of a circuit court
- 4 clerk; providing that the annual salary is equal to a certain percentage of the
- 5 salary of a circuit court judge in effect on a certain date; providing that this Act
- does not apply to the salary or compensation of an incumbent clerk; and
- 7 generally relating to the salaries of circuit court clerks.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 10 Section 2-504(a)
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)
- 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 15 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings

16 2-504.

- 17 (a) The clerk of each circuit court shall receive an annual salary [of not more
- 18 than \$85,000 as set by the Board of Public Works on the basis of the relative volume
- 19 of business and receipts in the clerk's office] EQUAL TO 85% OF THE SALARY OF A
- 20 CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE IN EFFECT ON JULY 1 OF THE YEAR OF THE ELECTION OF
- 21 THE CLERK.
- 22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III,
- 23 Section 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or
- 24 apply to the salary or compensation of the clerk of each circuit court in office on the
- 25 effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or
- 26 compensation of the clerk of each circuit court shall take effect at the beginning of the
- 27 next following term of office.

- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 2 October 1, 2004.