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By: **Senators Kramer, Green, Hafer, Kittleman, and Lawlah**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Circuit Court Clerks - Salary**

3 FOR the purpose of removing a certain limit on the maximum salary that the Board  
4 of Public Works may set for a circuit court clerk; providing that this Act does not  
5 apply to the salary or compensation of an incumbent clerk; and generally  
6 relating to the salaries of circuit court clerks.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
9 Section 2-504(a)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 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 more  
17 than \$85,000] as set by the Board of Public Works on the basis of the relative volume  
18 of business and receipts in the clerk's office.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III,  
20 Section 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or  
21 apply to the salary or compensation of the clerk of each circuit court in office on the  
22 effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or  
23 compensation of the clerk of each circuit court shall take effect at the beginning of the  
24 next following term of office.

25 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 October 1, 2005.