

**SB0722/508379/1**

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 722  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “Office” insert “and Police Department”; in the same line, after “Compensation” insert “- Study and Report”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 3 down through “time” in line 7 and substitute “requiring the Baltimore City Department of Finance, in consultation with the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office and the Baltimore City Police Department, to study any disparity in the compensation of sworn officers of the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office and the Baltimore City Police Department, the feasibility of providing enhanced workers’ compensation benefits to certain sworn officers of the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office, and the feasibility of implementing a certain increase in workers’ compensation benefits for sworn officers of the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office in a certain manner; requiring a certain report”; strike beginning with the first “deputy” in line 8 down through “the” in line 9 and substitute “sworn officers employed by the”; and in line 9, after “Office” insert “and the Baltimore City Police Department”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 10 on page 1 through line 19 on page 3, and substitute:

“SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(a) The Baltimore City Department of Finance, in consultation with the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office and the Baltimore City Police Department, shall conduct a study of:

(Over)

(1) any disparity in the compensation of sworn officers of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office and the Baltimore City Police Department with equal service time and comparable ranking, including any disparity in the salary rate and employee benefits;

(2) the feasibility of providing enhanced workers' compensation benefits under § 9-628 of the Labor and Employment Article for sworn officers of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office by including the sworn officers in the definition of "public safety employee" under § 9-628 of the Labor and Employment Article; and

(3) the feasibility of implementing a 33% increase in workers' compensation benefits for sworn officers of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office during a 3-year phase-in of an annual 11% increase in benefits.

(b) The study shall include:

(1) a detailed cost estimate; and

(2) an analysis of the need for enhanced benefits.

(c) On or before December 31, 2007, the Baltimore City Department of Finance shall report to the Governor, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Baltimore City Senators and the Baltimore City House Delegation, on the findings of the study."