# CHAPTER 493

# (House Bill 611)

AN ACT concerning

### Public Safety – State Aid for Police Protection Fund – Municipal Sworn Officer Allocation

FOR the purpose of increasing certain State payments to certain municipalities for certain sworn police officers employed by certain municipalities; <del>requiring that,</del> <del>subject to a certain limitation, certain payments to municipalities be adjusted</del> for inflation using a certain index beginning in a certain fiscal year; providing that the annual rate of change for certain payments to municipalities may not exceed a certain rate; providing that certain payments begin in a certain fiscal year; and generally relating to certain State payments to certain municipalities for certain sworn police officers employed by certain municipalities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 – Governor – Executive and Administrative Departments Section 4–403(b)(8) Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

# Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

4-403.

(b) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and thereafter, the State shall pay to each subdivision, and to each qualifying municipality, each year in the manner and subject to the limitations and requirements hereinafter provided, an amount determined as follows:

(8) Municipal Sworn Officer Allocation.

# (H) The FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR

**THEREAFTER, THE** State shall pay to each qualifying municipality, in addition to the payments made under paragraphs (1) through (7) of this subsection an amount equal

to [\$1,800] \$2,400 \$1,950 for each sworn police officer actually employed on a full-time basis by the qualifying municipality, as determined by the Secretary of State Police.

(II) SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET, BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2010 AND IN EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE POLICE SHALL ADJUST FOR INFLATION THE PAYMENTS TO QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITIES UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH USING THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI–U) FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31 OF THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR, AS PUBLISHED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.

(III) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE FOR THE PAYMENTS TO QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITIES UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH MAY NOT EXCEED A MAXIMUM RATE OF 5%.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 17, 2007.