

HOUSE BILL 330

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By: **St. Mary's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 25, 2008

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **St. Mary's County - Assistant Sheriff**

3 FOR the purpose of replacing the rank of Captain with that of Assistant Sheriff in the
4 Sheriff's Office of St. Mary's County; and generally relating to the Sheriff's
5 Office of St. Mary's County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
8 Section 120-2 A.(1) and B.
9 Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
10 (2007 Edition, as amended)

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

13 **Article 19 - St. Mary's County**

14 120-2.

15 A. (1) Except for the Sheriff, all personnel of the Sheriff's office shall
16 participate in the merit system of St. Mary's County and shall be hired and governed
17 by the rules of that system. [A Captain] **AN ASSISTANT SHERIFF** appointed by the
18 Sheriff in accordance with Subsection B of this section shall participate in the merit
19 system except to the extent that the rules of that system conflict with the provisions of
20 Subsection B of this section.

21 B. (1) Subject to the qualifications under Paragraph (3) of this
22 subsection, the Sheriff may appoint, without examination, [a Captain] **AN ASSISTANT**
23 **SHERIFF**, who shall serve in that position at the pleasure of the Sheriff.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) The County Commissioners shall set the salary of the [Captain]
2 **ASSISTANT SHERIFF**.

3 (3) Only a deputy sheriff who holds the permanent rank of Sergeant or
4 Lieutenant in the St. Mary's County Sheriff's office is eligible for appointment to
5 [Captain] **ASSISTANT SHERIFF**.

6 (4) While serving as [Captain] **ASSISTANT SHERIFF**, an individual
7 may participate.

8 (a) In the Sheriff's office retirement plan.

9 (b) In the competitive promotional process for the next rank
10 above the individual's permanent rank.

11 (5) When the appointment of the [Captain] **ASSISTANT SHERIFF**
12 ends, the [Captain] **ASSISTANT SHERIFF** shall return to the rank held before being
13 appointed to [Captain] **ASSISTANT SHERIFF** or, if the [Captain] **ASSISTANT**
14 **SHERIFF** qualified for a higher rank while serving as [Captain] **ASSISTANT**
15 **SHERIFF**, to the higher rank.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 October 1, 2008.