

HOUSE BILL 1070

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HB 83/07 – JUD

8lr2198

By: **Delegate Conaway**

Introduced and read first time: February 7, 2008

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Courts – Jury Duty – Payment to Jurors**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the State per diem for jury service under certain
4 circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; providing for a delayed
5 effective date; and generally relating to payment for jury service.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
8 Section 8–426
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

14 8–426.

15 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, an individual is entitled, for each
16 day that an individual is required to be in attendance at or proximity to a circuit court
17 for a county for jury service, to:

18 (1) A State per diem of [~~\$15~~] **\$30**; and

19 (2) The supplement, if any, authorized by the county.

20 (b) A trial juror is entitled:

21 (1) For the first 5 days of jury service in one trial, to a State per diem
22 of [~~\$15~~] **\$30**; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) For each day of jury service in one trial in excess of 5 days, a State
2 per diem of \$50.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be
4 construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have
5 any effect on or application to any jury service before the effective date of this Act.

6 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 January 1, 2009.