

SENATE BILL 135

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By: **Senator Mathias**

Introduced and read first time: January 15, 2016

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County – Commissioners – Salary and Expense Reimbursements**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the County Commissioners of Somerset County;
4 altering the limit on reimbursements that each Commissioner may receive for
5 certain expenses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to
6 the salary and expense reimbursement for the County Commissioners of Somerset
7 County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 The Public Local Laws of Somerset County
10 Section 2–101
11 Article 20 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
12 (2015 Edition)

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

15 **Article 20 – Somerset County**

16 2–101.

17 (a) There are 5 County Commissioners for Somerset County, who hold office for 4
18 years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

19 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each
20 Commissioner shall receive an annual salary of [~~\$7,500~~] **\$8,500**.

21 (2) The President of the County Commissioners shall receive an annual
22 salary of [~~\$8,500~~] **\$9,500**.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (c) Each Commissioner may receive reimbursement of no more than [\$2,500]
2 **\$3,000** a year for food and mileage expenses for any official duties. The County
3 Commissioner shall submit a reimbursement voucher for each excursion, signed by 3 of the
4 5 Commissioners.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35
6 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary
7 or compensation of the County Commissioners of Somerset County while serving in a term
8 of office beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act
9 concerning the salary or compensation of the County Commissioners of Somerset County
10 shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does
11 not apply to an individual appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out
12 an unexpired term.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2016.