

# SENATE BILL 146

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By: **Senator Cassilly**

Introduced and read first time: January 15, 2016

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County – State’s Attorney – Salary**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the annual salary of the State’s Attorney of Harford County to  
4 be equal to the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland; repealing a certain  
5 salary adjustment method; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or  
6 compensation of the State’s Attorney of Harford County while serving in a certain  
7 term of office; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the  
8 salary of the State’s Attorney of Harford County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article – Criminal Procedure  
11 Section 15–413(a)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
15 Article – Criminal Procedure  
16 Section 15–413(b)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

22 15–413.

23 (a) This section applies only in Harford County.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) (1) The State's Attorney's ANNUAL salary is **[\$98,500] EQUAL TO THE**  
2 **SALARY OF A JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND.**

3 [(2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, on or after July 1 of each  
4 year, the salary shall be adjusted using the annual Consumer Price Index that is published  
5 by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics:

6 (i) for the period ending each December;

7 (ii) for all regions; and

8 (iii) to reflect the annual change in the "Consumer Price Index" for  
9 "All urban consumers" for the expenditure category "All items not seasonally adjusted".

10 (3) The annual adjustment under paragraph (2) of this subsection may not  
11 exceed 3% in a fiscal year.]

12 [(4) (2) The county government shall pay all reasonable expenses for the  
13 conduct of the office.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35  
15 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary  
16 or compensation of the State's Attorney of Harford County while serving in a term of office  
17 beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the  
18 salary or compensation of the State's Attorney of Harford County shall take effect at the  
19 beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does not apply to an individual  
20 appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out an unexpired term.

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