

SENATE BILL 397

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By: **Anne Arundel County Senators**

Introduced and read first time: January 28, 2026

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

Committee Report: Favorable

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County – Sheriff – Appointment of Majors**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County appoint a certain
4 number of majors at a salary determined by the County Council of Anne Arundel
5 County; and generally relating to the Office of the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
8 Section 2–315(a)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
13 Section 2–315(c)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

19 2–315.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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1 (a) This section applies only in Anne Arundel County.

2 (c) (1) The Sheriff shall appoint deputies at a salary as provided by the County
3 Council of Anne Arundel County.

4 (2) The Sheriff may appoint a chief deputy who shall serve at the pleasure
5 of the Sheriff.

6 (3) THE SHERIFF SHALL APPOINT THREE MAJORS AT A SALARY AS
7 PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2026.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.