

## Chapter 574

**(House Bill 1514)**

AN ACT concerning

**Calvert County – County Officials and Board of Education – Salaries and Benefits**

FOR the purpose of altering the salaries of the County Commissioners of Calvert County, the president and members of the Calvert County Board of Education, and the County Treasurer of Calvert County; repealing a certain provision about the salary of State's Attorneys; ~~altering the benefits of the County Commissioners of Calvert County;~~ altering certain retirement benefits for the County Treasurer of Calvert County under certain circumstances; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent County Commissioners of Calvert County, the president and members of the Calvert County Board of Education, or the County Treasurer of Calvert County; and generally relating to the compensation received by certain Calvert County officials and the president and members of the Calvert County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
The Public Local Laws of Calvert County  
Section 2–101  
Article 5 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
(2002 Edition and October 2024 Supplement, as amended)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Criminal Procedure  
Section 15–405(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2025 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Criminal Procedure  
Section 15–405(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2025 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 3–303  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Local Government

Section 16–202  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

**Article 5 – Calvert County**

2–101.

(a) Five County Commissioners comprise the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County.

(b) (1) The annual salary of the president of the Board is[:

(I) \$44,500 for calendar year 2018;

(II) \$46,000 for calendar year 2019;

(III) \$47,500 for calendar year 2020;

(IV) \$49,000 for calendar year 2021; and

(V) \$50,500 for calendar year 2022 and each subsequent calendar year] **\$58,000**.

(2) The annual salary of each of the associate members of the Board is[:

(I) \$42,000 for calendar year 2018;

(II) \$43,500 for calendar year 2019;

(III) \$45,000 for calendar year 2020;

(IV) \$46,500 for calendar year 2021; and

(V) \$48,000 for calendar year 2022 and each subsequent calendar year] **\$53,000**.

(c) Each Commissioner may be reimbursed up to an annual total of \$2,000, for any reasonable costs incurred by the Commissioner in carrying out the functions of the office.

(d) A Commissioner may participate in the Calvert County Employees Retirement Savings Plan.

~~(E) AFTER 10 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A COMMISSIONER, REGARDLESS OF AGE, A FORMER COMMISSIONER MAY RECEIVE BENEFITS UNDER THE COUNTY RETIREE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM.~~

**Article – Criminal Procedure**

15–405.

(a) This section applies only in Calvert County.

(b) [(1)] The State’s Attorney’s salary is equal to the salary of a circuit court judge.

[(2)] A salary increase shall take effect at the beginning of the elected term of office and may not increase during the term of office.]

**Article – Education**

3–303.

(a) At its first meeting at the beginning of each calendar year, the county board shall elect a president and a vice president from among its members.

(b) (1) The president of the county board is entitled to receive:

(I) \$6,500 [annually] as compensation [and the] **FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026; AND**

(II) **\$8,500 AS COMPENSATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2027 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT CALENDAR YEAR.**

(2) **THE** other members **OF THE COUNTY BOARD** are entitled to receive:

(I) \$5,500 [each annually] as compensation **FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026; AND**

(II) **\$7,500 AS COMPENSATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2027 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT CALENDAR YEAR.**

[(2)] (3) An elected member is entitled to health insurance benefits regularly provided to employees of the board of education under the same terms and conditions extended to other employees of the board of education.

**Article – Local Government**

16–202.

(a) The annual salary of the County Treasurer of Calvert County is **[\$57,500] \$115,000.**

(b) (1) The County Treasurer of Calvert County shall appoint one deputy treasurer.

(2) The County Commissioners of Calvert County shall set the annual salary of the deputy treasurer.

(c) (1) **[An] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION:**

**(I)** AN individual who serves as County Treasurer of Calvert County for at least three terms shall receive an annual pension when the individual leaves office of \$150 for each year served[.

(2) The]; **AND**

**(II)** THE pension shall be paid at least once per month.

**(2) BEGINNING WITH THE TERM OF OFFICE THAT BEGINS ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 4, 2026, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SERVES AS COUNTY TREASURER OF CALVERT COUNTY SHALL RECEIVE THE SAME PENSION BENEFITS AS COUNTY EMPLOYEES.**

(d) The County Commissioners of Calvert County shall:

(1) provide in its annual budget a pension of \$150 per month to be paid to the surviving spouse of any county treasurer who served as of October 1974; and

(2) pay the pension for the life of the surviving spouse.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in accordance with Article III, § 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the County Commissioners of Calvert County, the president and members of the Calvert County Board of Education, or the County Treasurer of Calvert County while serving in a term of office beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the County Commissioners of Calvert County, the president and members of the Calvert County Board of Education, or the County Treasurer of Calvert County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does not apply to an individual appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out an unexpired term.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2026.

**Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2026.**