

## TESTIMONY FOR HB0783 Frederick County Sheriff - Salary

Bill Sponsor: Frederick County Delegation Committee: Environment and Transportation Organization Submitting: Person Submitting: Cecilia Plante Position: UNFAVORABLE

I am submitting this testimony in favor of HB0783 on behalf of the Maryland Legislative Coalition. The Maryland Legislative Coalition is an association of individuals and grassroots groups with members in every district in the state with well over 30,000 members.

As a Frederick County resident, I am appalled that the Frederick County Delegation is attempting to raise the salary for Sheriff Jenkins. His tenure as Sheriff in Frederick County has resulted in several lawsuits for poor policing that have cost the county over \$225,000 in the past several years. After the last lawsuit, Sheriff Jenkins was forced to publicly apologize for the poor policing and poor training that caused the lawsuit.

Why should we want to pay him MORE of our taxpayer dollars? At this point, he owes the residents of this county for misusing their trust and their taxpayer dollars. The last thing we need is to pay him extra for that.

I do not support this bill and recommend a **UNFAVORABLE** report in committee.