

engaging in the private practice of law; setting the salary of the State's Attorney for Talbot County; requiring the State's Attorney for Talbot County to serve full time; prohibiting the State's Attorney for Talbot County from engaging in the private practice of law; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent State's Attorney for Talbot County; and generally relating to the salary and duties of the State's Attorney for Talbot County and the duties of the State's Attorney for Dorchester County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 10 – Legal Officials

Section ~~40(u)(1)~~ 40(j)(2) and (u)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 10 – Legal Officials

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(j) (2) The State's Attorney shall serve full time AND MAY NOT ENGAGE IN THE PRIVATE PRACTICE OF LAW.

(u) In Talbot County[,]:

(1) (i) The State's Attorney's salary shall be [as set by the County Council] ~~90~~ 80 PERCENT OF THE SALARY OF A JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND.

(ii) The State's Attorney ~~may serve part-time~~ SHALL SERVE FULL TIME and[, subject to the provisions of paragraph (iii) of this subsection,] may NOT engage in the private practice of law.

[(iii) Except in connection with and in the performance of the State's Attorney's duties as the State's Attorney, the State's Attorney may not appear professionally in any criminal proceeding in this State.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney for Talbot County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney for Talbot County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002.

Approved May 16, 2002.