CHAPTER 213

(House Bill 1176)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 40(k) of Article 10 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact," subtitle "State's Attorney," to increase the annual salary of the State's Attorney and to permit the increase of the annual salary of the Deputy State's Attorney of Frederick County; and to provide that the State's Attorney and the Deputy State's Attorney of Frederick County shall not engage in the private practice of law; and to provide that the provisions of this Act shall take effect at the beginning of the next following terms of office.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 40(k) of Article 10 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact," subtitle "State's Attorney," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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- (k) In Frederick County, (1) the State's Attorney's annual salary is [seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00)] eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00).
- (2) [Subject to the approval of the resident judge of the Circuit Court,] [t] The State's Attorney may appoint a member of the bar of Frederick County as deputy State's attorney, to serve at the pleasure of the State's Attorney. The deputy State's attorney's annual salary [is four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00)] shall be not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) in the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners. Under the direction of the State's Attorney, the deputy State's attorney shall present cases to the grand jury and perform such other acts and duties in relation to the grand jury and in the operation of the office as are necessary and proper.
- (3) It is intended by the provisions herein that the State's Attorney and deputy State's attorney shall not engage in the private practice of law in any matter whatsoever.
- [(3)] (4) The Board of County Commissioners shall provide an office in the courthouse for the State's Attorney. The Board shall pay the expenses of the office, including general operating expenses, cost of equipment, and the reasonable salary of a stenographer to be appointed by the State's Attorney.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to extend or apply to the salaries of the State's Attorney and the Deputy State's Attorney in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salaries of the State's Attorney and the Deputy State's Attorney shall take effect at the beginning of the next following terms of office.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

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