AN ACT concerning

Howard County - Sheriff's Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the Sheriff of Howard County; prohibiting the salary increase from affecting the incumbent; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 2-309(o) Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENEPAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 2-309(o) of Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2-309.

(o) The Sheriff of Howard County shall receive a salary of [\$12,000] \$17,500. He shall appoint the number of deputies authorized by the County Commissioners. The compensation of the deputies shall be set by the County Commissioners. A deputy holds office at the pleasure of the Sheriff and may be removed by the Sheriff at any time or by the Circuit Court for Howard County upon indictment and conviction as provided by law. The Sheriff may appoint additional temporary deputy sheriffs when necessary for the public safety and the County Commissioners shall allow them reasonable compensation. These deputies [shall] MAY not serve longer than the case actually requires.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to extend or apply to the salary of the persons specified by this Act in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary of the persons specified by this Act 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 July 1, 1977.

Approved March 31, 1977.