

CHAPTER 151

(House Bill 1853)

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County - Sheriff's Salary

FOR the purpose of increasing the salary of the Sheriff of Carroll County; and relating generally to the application of this Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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

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and Judicial Proceedings, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows: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

(h) (1) The Sheriff of Carroll County shall receive a salary of [~~\$12,500~~] \$16,500. He may appoint the number of deputies necessary for the proper execution of the duties of his office, who shall receive the compensation set by the County Commissioners.

(2) Any deputy sheriff appointed pursuant to this section shall be placed on a probationary status for the first six months of his employment, and may be dismissed by the Sheriff for any reason. After six months of continuous employment, a deputy sheriff has tenure, and may be discharged by the Sheriff only for malfeasance or nonfeasance in office. Any tenured deputy sheriff who is dismissed may appeal by requesting a hearing before the County Commissioners of Carroll County within five days of receipt of notification of the action or his dismissal shall become final without further action by the County Commissioners.

(3) Whenever a deputy sheriff appeals a dismissal, the County Commissioners shall grant him a hearing. The County Commissioners' decision on appeal shall be by a majority vote, and the County Commissioners may direct that the decision be affirmed, or it may rescind the dismissal and order the deputy sheriff reinstated with back pay, or it may decide the case it deems equitable.