

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2-309.

(p) (1) The Sheriff of Kent County shall receive a salary of [~~\$20,000~~] \$27,000 ~~cost-of-living-increments-that-are-set-by-the-U-S-Department-of-Labor, Bureau-of-Labor-Statistics,~~ and, at the discretion of the County Commissioners, county-owned automobiles as may be necessary to operate the Sheriff's department. The Sheriff shall appoint a chief deputy sheriff who shall receive a salary of at least \$8,000. [He] THE SHERIFF also may appoint not more than two assistant deputies who shall receive salaries of at least \$7,000. The Sheriff and his deputies shall receive an allowance set by the County Commissioners for mileage traveled in the course of their duties. It shall be paid at the same rate as other county officials and employees are paid. They shall also be paid any additional allowances as the Commissioners may deem necessary.

(2) The County Commissioners shall provide the Sheriff with funds to compensate a matron and a cook at the county jail.

(3) The County Commissioners may authorize additional deputies as necessary and shall set their compensation at the time of their appointment.

(4) The County Commissioners may authorize the Sheriff to appoint as part-time deputies [persons] INDIVIDUALS employed in specific plants, schools, hospitals, institutions, business enterprises, and land development tracts situated within Kent County who are limited to service only within the particular facility where they are employed, and who may not be compensated by Kent County for their services.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35, of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the Sheriff of Kent County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the Sheriff of Kent 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 July 1, 1986.

Approved April 8, 1986.

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