purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1997.

Approved April 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 90

(House Bill 739)

AN ACT concerning

Washington County - Sheriff - Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the Sheriff of Washington County; and providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Sheriff of Washington County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2-309(w)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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.

(w) (1) The Sheriff of Washington County shall receive a salary of [\$42,500] \$55,000. The Sheriff shall appoint a chief deputy at a salary level set by the County Commissioners. The Sheriff may appoint deputy sheriffs and other personnel necessary to perform the duties of office at salary levels set by the County Commissioners in accordance with the county's budgetary process.

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 Sheriff of Washington 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 Washington 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, 1997.

Approved April 8, 1997.