

changes in the Maryland State Police pay scale; repealing a requirement that the County Commissioners enact a certain ordinance to provide for the powers and duties of the Charles County Board of Public Safety; requiring the Board of Public Safety to act as a neutral third party and convene at the request of the Sheriff or the County Commissioners under certain circumstances; repealing a certain requirement that the Board of Public Safety approve certain promotions; providing for the County Commissioners and the Sheriff to develop rules and regulations that relate to certain employees in the Sheriff's office; requiring the County Commissioners to provide for certain employees in the Sheriff's office in accordance with those rules and regulations; altering a certain requirement for the County Commissioners to provide by ordinance for a merit or classified service system for certain employees of the Sheriff's office; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent Sheriff of Charles County; and generally relating to the Sheriff of Charles County and the employees of the Sheriff's office.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
 Section ~~2-309(j)(3)~~ 2-309(j)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
The Public Local Laws of Charles County  
Section 125-4 C, G(1), and K  
Article 9 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
(1994 Edition and June 1998 Supplement, as amended)

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Section 125-4 D(2)(d)  
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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.

(j) (1) The salary for the Sheriff of Charles County is equal to the salary of a Department of State Police lieutenant colonel, [step L-13] STEP 14, under the Department of State Police pay plan in effect on the day prior to the day that the Sheriff begins a term of office.