SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.

CHAPTER 542

(House Bill 1205)

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County - Special Deputy Sheriffs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Sheriff of Carroll County to appoint special deputy sheriffs who are members of the police force of a municipal corporation in Carroll County; setting forth the conditions to which the appointment of a special deputy sheriff in Carroll County is subject; and generally relating to special deputy sheriffs in Carroll County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2-309(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 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.

- (h) (1) The Sheriff of Carroll County shall receive a salary of \$45,000 a year. The Sheriff may employ the number of personnel necessary for the proper execution of the duties of office. Personnel shall receive the compensation set by the County Commissioners.
- (2) Personnel employed pursuant to this section shall be placed on a probationary status for the first 18 months of employment, and may be dismissed by the Sheriff for any reason. After 18 months of continuous employment, personnel may only be disciplined or dismissed for just cause:
- (i) In accordance with the Law-Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights, if the employee's rights are covered under this bill of rights; or
- (ii) In accordance with the personnel rules and regulations of the Carroll County Sheriff's office, if the employee's rights are not covered under the Law-Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights.