Senate Bill 775, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 791.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor

House Bill 791

AN ACT concerning

Queen Anne's County - State's Attorney - Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the State's Attorney for Queen Anne's County; authorizing the State's Attorney to appoint one or more deputy State's Attorneys; specifying certain duties of the State's Attorney, a deputy State's Attorney, and an assistant State's Attorney; establishing that the State's Attorney is entitled to certain expenses for certain purposes; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent State's Attorney for Queen Anne's County; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the State's Attorney for Queen Anne's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 10 - Legal Officials

Section 40(r)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

Article 10 - Legal Officials

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- (r) (1) In Queen Anne's County, the annual salary of the State's Attorney is [90 percent of] EQUAL TO the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland. The salary shall be set prior to the date on which a newly elected State's Attorney first assumes his or her position during his or her term of office.
- (2) The State's Attorney may not engage in the private practice of law at any time in any jurisdiction during the State's Attorney's tenure in office.