

CHAPTER 48

(House Bill 132)

AN ACT concerning

Howard County - Deputy State's Attorneys

Ho. Co. 3-98

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State's Attorney in Howard County to appoint a second deputy State's Attorney in Howard County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 10 - Legal Officials

Section 40(n)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 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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(n) In Howard County,

(1) The State's Attorney's salary shall be equal to the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland. The State's Attorney may not engage in the private practice of law.

(2) The State's Attorney may appoint [a] TWO deputy State's [Attorney] ATTORNEYS, whose [salary] SALARIES shall be set by the County Executive with the approval of the County Council, at not less than [\$6,000.00] \$6,000 EACH annually.

(3) The State's Attorney may appoint such assistant State's Attorneys as may be authorized by the County Executive and whose salaries shall be set by the County Executive with the approval of the County Council. The deputy STATE'S ATTORNEYS and assistant State's Attorneys shall serve at the pleasure of the State's Attorney and have the same legal power as the State's Attorney to represent the State before the grand jury and at the trial of criminal proceedings.

(4) The State's Attorney may appoint an administrative assistant who is authorized and empowered to collect and distribute moneys payable for the support of dependents under orders issuing from the several courts of this State, or any other state, and to retain two percent of any moneys so collected to be paid to the County Council for Howard County to defray the costs of this service. The administrative assistant's salary shall be set by the County Executive with the approval of the County Council.