

CHAPTER 476  
(Senate Bill 888)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 37 (p) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," to ~~change the procedure affecting the Sheriff's car; the account of expenses; to include certain persons under the county merit system; to divide the department into certain divisions; to require deputy sheriffs complete certain courses; and to generally relate to the Sheriff's department in Prince George's County.~~ TO INCREASE THE SALARY OF THE SHERIFF OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY; TO CHANGE THE PROCEDURE FOR THE ACCOUNTING OF THE EXPENSES OF THE SHERIFF OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY; TO PROVIDE FOR ASSISTANT SHERIFFS IN THE COUNTY; AND TO RELATE GENERALLY TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 37 (p) of Article 87 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Supplement), title "Sheriffs," subtitle "Compensation and Duties," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

37.

(p) The Sheriff of Prince George's County shall receive an annual salary of ~~eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$22,000) EIGHTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS~~ \$(18,000) per year, be provided with an automobile during his term as Sheriff for the use and work of his office [within said county], maintenance for [said] *the* automobile to be at the cost of the county and up to one thousand dollars, (\$1,000) per year for expenses which are incurred for the use and work of his office, an accounting of which expenses must be submitted to the [County Council] *Director of Finance, OF Prince George's County* for approval. All full-time employees, including Deputy Sheriffs, and *correctional officers of all ranks* [jail guards, and jail matrons] appointed by the Sheriff or assigned to him in the budget of Prince George's County, [shall be subject] ~~are~~ to [said] *the* county's merit system as to qualifications, compensation and other regulations, with the exception of two [Administrative Aides] *assistant sheriffs*, who [may be] ~~are~~ appointed by the Sheriff and *serve at the pleasure of the Sheriff.*, THE ASSISTANT SHERIFFS SHALL BE CONSIDERED LINE OFFICERS IF SO DESIGNATED BY THE SHERIFF. Deputy Sheriffs *and correctional officers* employed prior to, and still on duty as of [June 1, 1967] ~~July 1, 1972~~ [shall be] ~~are~~ qualified and employed under [said] *the* county's merit system as to qualifications, compensation and other regulations.

*The Sheriff's department consists of two divisions, for which the Sheriff is responsible for all policy, management and operations. The assistant sheriff assigned to the County detention divisions, which include the county detention centers and jails, is responsible for the daily operations and management of that division. The assistant sheriff assigned to the courts division, which includes the court*