

2-309.

(t) The Sheriff of St. Mary's County shall receive a salary of ~~[\$15,000]~~ \$18,000 and no expense allowance. He shall have the number of deputies provided for in the public local laws of St. Mary's County.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary of the Sheriff in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary of the Sheriff shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 2, 1978.

CHAPTER 372

(House Bill 1287)

AN ACT concerning

Strip Mining - Equipment Removal

FOR the purpose of providing for the moving of backfilling equipment from the work site prior to the completion of the job upon written approval of the Bureau of Mines.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 7-508(g)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

7-508.

(g) [All] UNLESS THE OPERATOR OBTAINS THE PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE BUREAU, ALL backfilling described in the approved reclamation plan shall be completed before backfilling equipment is moved from the operation.