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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 182

(Carroll County Delegation)

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Carroll County - Sheriff - Salary

This bill increases the annual salary of the Carroll County Sheriff from \$75,910 to \$90,000, beginning on December 1, 2014.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Carroll County expenditures increase by approximately \$11,500 in FY 2015 and by \$19,700 in FY 2016 and each year thereafter for increased salary and fringe benefits for the Carroll County Sheriff. Revenues are not affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The salary of the Carroll County Sheriff is currently set at \$75,910. Salary adjustments for local officials take effect at the beginning of the next term of office, which is December 2014 for the Carroll County Sheriff.

Background: The annual salary of the Carroll County Sheriff was last adjusted by Chapter 179 of 2006 when it was increased from \$65,000 to \$71,532 in December 2006 and by 2% annually until the sheriff's salary reached \$75,910 in December 2009. **Exhibit 1** shows the salaries for sheriffs in selected counties.

Exhibit 1
Sheriff Salaries for Selected Maryland Counties
Fiscal 2014

<u>County</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Anne Arundel	550,488	\$128,064
Baltimore City	621,342	114,050
Baltimore	817,455	90,000
Carroll	167,217	75,910
Frederick	239,582	100,000
Harford	248,622	113,732
Howard	299,430	85,000

Source: *Salary, Health Benefits, and Pension Survey of Maryland County Government, FY 2014*, Maryland Association of Counties

Local Fiscal Effect: The Carroll County Sheriff's salary increases by \$14,090 annually and by \$5,640 for fringe benefits, for a total annual increase of \$19,730. This estimate assumes a constant 40% employer contribution rate for fringe benefits as indicated by the county. The salary and fringe benefit increases would begin five months into fiscal 2015, therefore, the impact in fiscal 2015 totals \$11,500. Future year expenditures reflect the full \$19,730 increase.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 557 (Carroll County Senators) - Judicial Proceedings.

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