

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly  
2024 Session

**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**  
**First Reader**

House Bill 578 (Frederick County Delegation)  
Environment and Transportation

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**Sheriff of Frederick County - Salary - Workgroup**

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This bill establishes the Workgroup to Study the Salary of the Sheriff of Frederick County. The workgroup must (1) study the salaries of the sheriff in each county in the State (and any other law enforcement position with similar responsibilities and preparation requirements as a sheriff) and (2) make recommendations regarding the salary of the Sheriff of Frederick County. The workgroup members must elect a chair; the legislative liaison of the County Executive of Frederick County – in consultation with the staff of the members of the workgroup – must provide staff. Members may not receive compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the standard State travel regulations. By December 15, 2025, the workgroup must report its findings and recommendations to the Frederick County Delegation to the General Assembly. **The bill takes effect June 1, 2024, and terminates December 31, 2025.**

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The bill does not materially affect State finances or operations.

**Local Effect:** Frederick County can comply with the bill’s staffing requirements using existing budgeted resources.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Pursuant to statute, the Sheriff of Frederick County receives an annual salary of \$125,000.

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## **Additional Information**

**Recent Prior Introductions:** Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

**Designated Cross File:** SB 562 (Frederick County Senators) - Judicial Proceedings.

**Information Source(s):** Frederick County; Department of Legislative Services

**Fiscal Note History:** First Reader - February 7, 2024  
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