

# SENATE BILL 999

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By: **Senator Waugh**

Introduced and read first time: February 12, 2016

Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **St. Mary's County – Keeper of the Jail – Repeal**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions related to the position of Keeper of the Jail  
4 of St. Mary's County; and generally relating to the repeal of the position of Keeper of  
5 the Jail of St. Mary's County.

6 BY repealing

7 The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County

8 Section 68–1 and the chapter “Chapter 68. Keeper of the Jail”

9 Article 19 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

10 (2007 Edition and March 2014 Supplement, as amended)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
12 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article 19 – St. Mary's County**

14 **[Chapter 68. Keeper of the Jail.]**

15 **[68–1.**

16 A. The Keeper of the Jail of St. Mary's County shall be appointed by the Sheriff  
17 of St. Mary's County and shall be paid a reasonable salary by the County Commissioners  
18 upon vouchers submitted by the Sheriff to the County Commissioners. The Keeper of the  
19 Jail has all the powers of a constable or other peace officer and is directly responsible to the  
20 Sheriff for the safekeeping and transportation of prisoners. He is responsible for the  
21 safekeeping, care and feeding of all prisoners in the jail from the time they are lawfully  
22 committed thereto until they are discharged, released or withdrawn therefrom by the  
23 Sheriff or pursuant to a court order or other lawful authority. He shall keep a record of the  
24 names, ages, dates when received, the offenses charged and the date of discharge and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 reason therefor of all persons committed to the jail and shall perform such other duties with  
2 respect thereto as the County Commissioners may assign to him.

3           B.     Nothing in this section shall affect the powers and duties of the Sheriff in  
4 respect to the safekeeping and custody of all prisoners except if prisoners are within the  
5 jail.

6           C.     The Sheriff may appoint other help for the operation of the jail as may be  
7 needed. These employees shall be paid reasonable salaries by the County Commissioners  
8 upon vouchers submitted by the Sheriff to the County Commissioners. The Commissioners  
9 shall annually appropriate amounts sufficient for the maintenance of the jail and the  
10 safekeeping, care and feeding of all prisoners committed thereto.]

11           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 October 1, 2016.