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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

143rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 139

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 288, VOLUME 64, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED, THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF LAUREL, TO PROVIDE FOR FIXED SALARIES FOR THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF LAUREL AND THE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL, RATHER THAN THE PER MEETING STIPEND CURRENTLY PAID.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Two-thirds of all members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

1           Section 1. Amend Chapter 288, Volume 64, Laws of Delaware, as amended, by deleting Section 4(e) in its entirety and by  
2 substituting a new Section 4(e) to read as follows:

3                   “(e)     The Mayor shall receive an annual salary of \$1,920, the time of payment to be determined by the Town  
4 Council, but in no event shall such salary be paid less than quarterly. The salary of the mayor may be increased by a  
5 Resolution adopted by two-thirds of all of the elected members of the Town Council.”.

6           Section 2. Amend Chapter 288, Volume 64, Laws of Delaware, as amended, by deleting Section 4(f) in its entirety and  
7 substituting a new Section 4(f) to read as follows:

8                   “(f)     Each member of the Town Council shall receive an annual salary of \$960, the time of payment to be  
9 determined by the Town Council, and to be the same as the time of payment of the salary of the Mayor, but in no event  
10 shall such salary be paid less frequently than quarterly. The salary of the members of the Town Council may be increased  
11 by a Resolution adopted by two-thirds of all the elected members of the Town Council, but in no event shall the salary for  
12 a member of the Town Council equal or exceed the salary to be paid to the Mayor.”.

13           Section 3. The amendments contained herein shall take effect for the 2005 calendar year.

SYNOPSIS

This Act amends the Charter of the Town of Laurel by providing for annual salaries for the Mayor and the members of the Town Council, rather than the per meeting stipend currently in effect. The amounts stated for the annual salaries accord with what would currently be paid to the Mayor and the members of the Town Council for regular attendance at Town meetings.