



County Executive John R. Leopold

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February 21, 2008

Benjamin B. Blake, President
AFSCME, Local 2563
2666 Riva Road
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Blake:

During the 2008 Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session, the County and the Department of Detention Facilities will be seeking legislative authority, under §3-702 of the Labor and Employment Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to conduct applicant polygraph examinations as a part of the background investigations we conduct for those who work in our detention facilities.

Therefore, the County and the Union agree to the following:

- (a) Members of this Unit are not and will not be required to submit to polygraph examinations; and
- (b) For purposes of employment, the County is not to suggest, ask, recommend, or require members of this Unit to submit to polygraph examinations. This provision does not limit the County Police from requesting that a person undergo a polygraph examination in the context of a criminal investigation.

In exchange for this agreement, the Union will support the proposed legislation, fully.

This constitutes a Letter of Understanding, which is a part of, and subject to the terms of, the Memorandum of Agreement dated July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2011 between Anne Arundel County, Maryland and Local 2563 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, and shall be effective upon signature of the Personnel Officer below.

Sincerely,

Andrea M. Fulton
Personnel Officer

Date

Accepted for the Union:

Benjamin B. Blake, President

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:

Anne Arundel County Office of Law

