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State Prosecutor Emmet C. Davitt announced today that Anne Arundel County Police Chief James Teare has decided to retire effective August 1, 2012. His retirement brings to a conclusion the investigation being conducted by the Office of the State Prosecutor as to Chief Teare.

State Prosecutor Emmet C. Davitt stated: "In light of his retirement, the State is closing its criminal investigation of Chief Teare. It is important to resolve this matter without any further disruption to the effective functioning of the Police Department at a time when it is reorganizing and the Anne Arundel County Executive is under indictment. Our office believes that this resolution is in the best interests of the citizens of Anne Arundel County."