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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 473.739 and 473.742, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to public administrators.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 473.739 and 473.742, RSMo, are repealed and two new

- 2 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 473.739 and 473.742, to
- 3 read as follows:
- 473.739. 1. Each public administrator [in counties of the first
- 2 classification without a charter form of government] who does not receive at least
- 3 twenty-five thousand dollars in fees as otherwise allowed by law shall receive
- 4 annual compensation of four thousand dollars and each such public administrator
- 5 who does not receive at least forty-five thousand dollars in fees may request the
- 6 county salary commission for an increase in annual compensation and the county
- 7 salary commission may authorize an additional increase in annual compensation
- 8 not to exceed ten thousand dollars.
- 9 2. Two thousand dollars of the compensation authorized in this section
- 10 shall be payable to the public administrator only if he or she has completed at
- 11 least twenty hours of [classroom] instruction each calendar year relating to the
- 12 operations of the public administrator's office when approved by a professional
- 13 association of the county public administrators of Missouri unless exempted from
- 14 the training by the professional association. The professional association
- 15 approving the program shall provide a certificate of completion to each public
- 16 administrator who completes the training program and shall send a list of
- 17 certified public administrators to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred
- 18 for attending the training session shall be reimbursed to the county public

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19 administrator in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for 20 that purpose.

473.742. 1. Each public administrator in counties of the second, third or fourth classification and in the city of St. Louis shall make a determination within thirty days after taking office whether such public administrator shall elect to receive a salary as defined herein or receive fees as may be allowed by law to executors, administrators and personal representatives. The election by the public administrator shall be made in writing to the county clerk. Should the public administrator elect to receive a salary, the public administrator's office may not then elect to change at any future time to receive fees in lieu of salary.

- 9 2. If a public administrator elects to be placed on salary, the salary shall 10 be based upon the average number of open letters in the two years preceding the 11 term when the salary is elected, based upon the following schedule:
- 12 (1) Zero to five letters: Salary shall be a minimum of seven thousand five 13 hundred dollars;
- 14 (2) Six to fifteen letters: Salary shall be a minimum of fifteen thousand 15 dollars;
- 16 (3) Sixteen to twenty-five letters: Salary shall be a minimum of twenty 17 thousand dollars;
- 18 (4) Twenty-six to thirty-nine letters: Salary shall be a minimum of 19 twenty-five thousand dollars;
- 20 (5) Public administrators with forty or more letters shall be considered 21 full-time county officials and shall be paid according to the assessed valuation 22 schedule set forth below:

23	Assessed valuation	1	Salary
24	\$8,000,000 to 40,99	99,999	\$29,000
25	\$41,000,000 to 53,9	999,999	\$30,000
26	\$54,000,000 to 65,9	999,999	\$32,000
27	\$66,000,000 to 85,9	999,999	\$34,000
28	\$86,000,000 to 99,9	999,999	\$36,000
29	\$100,000,000 to	130,999,999	\$38,000
30	\$131,000,000 to	159,999,999	\$40,000
31	\$160,000,000 to	189,999,999	\$41,000
32	\$190,000,000 to	249,999,999	\$41,500
33	\$250,000,000 to	299,999,999	\$43,000
34	\$300,000,000 to	449,999,999	\$45,000

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35	\$450,000,000 to	599,999,999	\$47,000
36	\$600,000,000 to	749,999,999	\$49,000
37	\$750,000,000 to	899,999,999	\$51,000
38	\$900,000,000 to 1	.,049,999,999	\$53,000
39	\$1,050,000,000 to	1,199,999,999	\$55,000
40	\$1,200,000,000 to	1,349,999,999	\$57,000
41	\$1,350,000,000 and	d over	\$59,000;

- (6) The public administrator in the city of St. Louis shall receive a salary not less than sixty-five thousand dollars;
- (7) Two thousand dollars of the compensation authorized in this section shall be payable to the public administrator only if he or she has completed at least twenty hours of instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the public administrator's office when approved by a professional association of the county public administrators of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the professional association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a certificate of completion to each public administrator who completes the training program and shall send a list of certified public administrators to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session shall be reimbursed to the county public administrator in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.
- 3. The initial compensation of the public administrator who elects to be put on salary shall be determined by the average number of letters for the two years preceding the term when the salary is elected. Salary increases or decreases according to the minimum schedule set forth in subsection 1 of this section shall be adjusted only after the number of open letters places the workload in a different subdivision for two consecutive years. Minimum salary increases or decreases shall only take effect upon a new term of office of the public administrator. The number of letters each year shall be determined in accordance with the reporting requirements set forth in law.
- 4. All fees collected by a public administrator who elects to be salaried shall be deposited in the county treasury or with the treasurer for the city of St. Louis.
- 5. Any public administrator in a county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of less than one hundred

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71 thousand inhabitants who elects to receive fees in lieu of a salary pursuant to

72 this section may elect to join the Missouri local government employees' retirement

73 system created pursuant to sections 70.600 to 70.755, RSMo.

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