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98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 49.082, 50.327, 50.333, 51.281, 52.269, 53.082, 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 57.317, 58.095, and 473.742, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof twelve new sections relating to compensation of county officers.

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

Section A. Sections 49.082, 50.327, 50.333, 51.281, 52.269, 53.082, 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 57.317, 58.095, and 473.742, RSMo, are repealed and twelve new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 49.082, 50.327, 50.333, 51.281, 52.269, 53.082, 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 57.317, 58.095, and 473.742, to read as follows:

49.082. 1. A county commissioner in any county, other than in a first classification chartered county or a first classification county not having a charter form of government and not containing any part of a city with a population of three hundred thousand or more, shall, subject to any other adjustment otherwise provided in this section **or section 50.333**, receive an annual salary computed as set forth in the following schedule. The assessed valuation factor shall be the amount thereof as shown for the year next preceding the computation. The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of commissioner on January 1, 1997.

	Assessed Valuation	Salary
11	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$19,140
12	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	19,800
13	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	21,120
14	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	22,440
15	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	23,760

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

16	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	25,080
17	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	26,400
18	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	27,060
19	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	27,390
20	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	28,380
21	300,000,000 or more	29,700

22 2. In addition to any compensation provided pursuant to subsection 1 of
 23 this section, the presiding commissioner of any county not having a charter form
 24 of government shall receive two thousand dollars annual salary.

25 3. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 26 payable to a commissioner only if the commissioner has completed at least twenty
 27 hours of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the
 28 commissioner's office when approved by a professional association of the county
 29 commissioners of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the professional
 30 association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a
 31 certificate of completion to each commissioner who completes the training
 32 program and shall send a list of certified commissioners to the treasurer of each
 33 county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session may be reimbursed
 34 to a county commissioner in the same manner as other expenses as may be
 35 appropriated for that purpose.

36 4. A county commissioner in any county, other than a first classification
 37 charter county or a first classification county not having a charter form of
 38 government and not containing any part of a city with a population of three
 39 hundred thousand or more, shall not, except upon a two-thirds vote of all the
 40 members of the salary commission, receive an annual compensation in an amount
 41 less than the total compensation being received for the office of county
 42 commissioner or presiding commissioner respectively for the particular county for
 43 services rendered or performed on the date the salary commission votes.

50.327. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the
 2 salary schedules contained in section 49.082, sections 50.334 and 50.343, 51.281,
 3 51.282, 52.269, 53.082, 53.083, 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 56.265, 57.317, 58.095, and
 4 473.742 shall be set as a base schedule for those county officials **and such**
 5 **officials may receive up to two hundred percent the maximum**
 6 **compensation in the base schedule in accordance with section**
 7 **50.333.** Except when it is necessary to increase newly elected or reelected county
 8 officials' salaries, in accordance with Section 13, Article VII, Constitution of

9 Missouri, **and except as otherwise provided under section 50.333**, to
10 comply with the requirements of this section, the salary commission in all
11 counties except charter counties in this state shall be responsible for the
12 computation of salaries of all county officials; provided, however, that any
13 percentage salary adjustments in a county shall be equal for all such officials in
14 that county.

50.333. 1. There shall be a salary commission in every nonchartered
2 county.

3 2. The clerk or court administrator of the circuit court of the judicial
4 circuit in which such county is located shall set a date, time and place for the
5 salary commission meeting and serve as temporary chairman of the salary
6 commission until the members of the commission elect a chairman from their
7 number. Upon written request of a majority of the salary commission members
8 the clerk or court administrator of the circuit court shall forthwith set the earliest
9 date possible for a meeting of the salary commission. The circuit clerk or court
10 administrator shall give notice of the time and place of any meeting of the salary
11 commission. Such notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation
12 in such county at least five days prior to such meeting. Such notice shall contain
13 a general description of the business to be discussed at such meeting.

14 3. The members of the salary commission shall be:

15 (1) The recorder of deeds if the recorder's office is separate from that of
16 the circuit clerk;

17 (2) The county clerk;

18 (3) [The prosecuting attorney;

19 (4)] The sheriff;

20 [(5)] (4) The county commissioners;

21 [(6)] (5) The collector or treasurer ex officio collector;

22 [(7)] (6) The treasurer or treasurer ex officio collector;

23 [(8)] (7) The assessor;

24 [(9)] (8) The auditor;

25 [(10)] (9) The public administrator; and

26 [(11)] (10) The coroner.

27 Members of the salary commission shall receive no additional compensation for
28 their services as members of the salary commission. A majority of members shall
29 constitute a quorum.

30 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 610.021 and 610.022, all

31 meetings of a county salary commission shall be open meetings and all votes
32 taken at such meetings shall be open records. Any vote taken at any meeting of
33 the salary commission shall be taken by recorded yeas and nays.

34 5. In every county, the salary commission shall meet at least once before
35 November thirtieth of each odd-numbered year. The salary commission may meet
36 as many times as it deems necessary and may meet after November thirtieth and
37 prior to December fifteenth of any odd-numbered year if the commission has met
38 at least once prior to November thirtieth of that year. At any meeting of the
39 salary commission, the members shall elect a chairman from their number. The
40 county clerk shall present a report on the financial condition of the county to the
41 commission once the chairman is elected, and shall keep the minutes of the
42 meeting.

43 6. For purposes of this section, the 1988 base compensation is the
44 compensation paid on September 1, 1987, plus the same percentage increase paid
45 or allowed, whichever is greater, to the presiding commissioner or the sheriff,
46 whichever is greater, of that county for the year beginning January 1, 1988. Such
47 increase shall be expressed as a percentage of the difference between the
48 maximum allowable compensation and the compensation paid on September 1,
49 1987. At its meeting in 1987 and at any meeting held in 1988, the salary
50 commission shall determine the compensation to be paid to every county officer
51 holding office on January 1, 1988. The salary commission shall establish the
52 compensation for each office at an amount not greater than that set by law as the
53 maximum compensation. If the salary commission votes to increase
54 compensation, but not to pay the maximum amount authorized by law for any
55 officer or office, then the increase in compensation shall be the same percentage
56 increase for all officers and offices and shall be expressed as a percentage of the
57 difference between the maximum allowable compensation and the compensation
58 being received at the time of the vote. If two-thirds of the members of the salary
59 commission vote to decrease the compensation being received at the time of the
60 vote below that compensation, all officers shall receive the same percentage
61 decrease. The commission may vote not to increase or decrease the compensation
62 and that compensation shall continue to be the salary of such offices and officers
63 during the subsequent term of office.

64 7. For the year 1989 and every second year thereafter, the salary
65 commission shall meet in every county as many times as it deems necessary on
66 or prior to November thirtieth of any such year for the purpose of determining the

67 amount of compensation to be paid to county officials. For each year in which the
68 commission meets, the members shall elect a chairman from their number. The
69 county clerk shall present a report on the financial condition of the county to the
70 commission once the chairman is elected, and shall keep minutes of the
71 meeting. The salary commission shall then consider the compensation to be paid
72 for the next term of office for each county officer to be elected at their next
73 general election. If the commission votes not to increase or decrease the
74 compensation, the salary being paid during the term in which the vote was taken
75 shall continue as the salary of such offices and officers during the subsequent
76 term of office. If the salary commission votes to increase the compensation, all
77 officers or offices whose compensation is being considered by the commission at
78 that time shall receive the same percentage, **up to two hundred percent**, of
79 the maximum allowable compensation. [However, for any county in which all
80 offices' and officers' salaries have been set at one hundred percent of the
81 maximum allowable compensation, the commission may vote to increase the
82 compensation of all offices except that of full-time prosecuting attorneys at that
83 or any subsequent meeting of the salary commission without regard to any law
84 or maximum limitation established by law.] Such increase shall be expressed as
85 a percentage of the compensation being paid during the term of office when the
86 vote is taken, and each officer or office whose compensation is being established
87 by the salary commission at that time shall receive the same percentage increase
88 over the compensation being paid for that office during the term when the vote
89 is taken. This increase shall be in addition to any increase mandated by an
90 official's salary schedule because of changes in assessed valuation during the
91 current term. If the salary commission votes to decrease the compensation, a vote
92 of two-thirds or more of all the members of the salary commission shall be
93 required before the salary or other compensation of any county office shall be
94 decreased below the compensation being paid for the particular office on the date
95 the salary commission votes, and all officers and offices shall receive the same
96 percentage decrease.

97 8. The salary commission shall issue, not later than December fifteenth
98 of any year in which it meets, a report of compensation to be paid to each officer
99 and the compensation so set shall be paid beginning with the start of the
100 subsequent term of office of each officer. The report of compensation shall be
101 certified to the clerk of the county commission for the county and shall be in
102 substantially the following form:

103 The salary commission for County hereby certifies that it has met
104 pursuant to law to establish compensation for county officers to be paid to such
105 officers during the next term of office for the officers affected. The salary
106 commission reports that there shall be (no increase in compensation) (an increase
107 of percent) (a decrease of percent) (county officer's salaries set at
108 percent of the maximum allowable compensation). Salaries shall be adjusted each
109 year on the official's year of incumbency for any change in the last completed
110 assessment that would affect the maximum allowable compensation for that
111 office.

112 9. For the meeting in 1989 and every meeting thereafter, in the event a
113 salary commission in any county fails, neglects or refuses to meet as provided in
114 this section, or in the event a majority of the salary commission is unable to reach
115 an agreement and so reports or fails to certify a salary report to the clerk of the
116 county commission by December fifteenth of any year in which a report is
117 required to be certified by this section, then the compensation being paid to each
118 affected office or officer on such date shall continue to be the compensation paid
119 to the affected office or officer during the succeeding term of office, **except as**
120 **otherwise provided under subsection 14 of this section.**

121 10. Other provisions of law notwithstanding, in every instance where an
122 officer or employee of any county is paid a mileage allowance or reimbursement,
123 the county commission shall allow or reimburse such officers or employees out of
124 the county treasury at the highest rate paid to any county officer for each mile
125 actually and necessarily traveled in the performance of their official duties. The
126 county commission of any county may elect to pay a mileage allowance for any
127 county commissioner for travel going to and returning from the place of holding
128 commission meetings and for all other necessary travel on official county business
129 in the personal motor vehicle of the commissioner presenting the claim. The
130 governing body of any county of the first classification not having a charter form
131 of government may provide by order for the payment of mileage expenses of
132 elected and appointed county officials by payment of a certain amount monthly
133 which would reflect the average monthly mileage expenses of such officer based
134 on the amount allowed pursuant to state law for the payment of mileage for state
135 employees. Any order entered for such purpose shall not be construed as salary,
136 wages or other compensation for services rendered.

137 11. The term "maximum allowable compensation" as used in this section
138 means the highest compensation which may be paid to the specified officer or

139 office in the particular county based on the salary schedule established by law for
140 the specified officer or office. If the salary commission at its meeting in 1987
141 voted for one hundred percent of the maximum allowable compensation and does
142 not change such vote at its meeting held within thirty days after May 13, 1988,
143 as provided in subsection 6 of this section, the one hundred percent shall be
144 calculated on the basis of the total allowable compensation permitted after May
145 13, 1988.

146 12. At the salary commission meeting which establishes the percentage
147 rate to be applied to county officers during the next term of office, the salary
148 commission may authorize the further adjustment of such officers' compensation
149 as a cost-of-living component and effective January first of each year, the
150 compensation for county officers may be adjusted by the county commission, and
151 if the adjustment of compensation is authorized, the percentage increase shall be
152 the same for all county officers, not to exceed the percentage increase given to the
153 other county employees. The compensation for all county officers may be set as
154 a group, although the change in compensation will not become effective until the
155 next term of office for each officer.

156 13. At the salary commission meeting in 1997 which establishes the
157 salaries for those officers to be elected at the general election in 1998, the salary
158 commission of each noncharter county may provide salary increases for associate
159 county commissioners elected in 1996. This one-time increase is necessitated by
160 the change from two- to four-year terms for associate commissioners pursuant to
161 house bill 256, passed by the first regular session of the eighty-eighth general
162 assembly in 1995.

163 **14. As a cost of living adjustment, beginning January 1, 2017, the**
164 **compensation of each county officer shall increase by ten percent, and**
165 **on January first each year thereafter, the compensation of each county**
166 **officer shall increase by two percent, until the officer's total**
167 **compensation is at two hundred percent of the maximum allowable**
168 **compensation. Such increase shall occur regardless of any action taken**
169 **by the county salary commission under this section unless the county**
170 **officer's compensation is set at or has reached two hundred percent of**
171 **the maximum allowable compensation, in which case the county officer**
172 **shall not receive further increases under this subsection.**

51.281. 1. The county clerk in any county, other than in a first
2 classification county, shall receive an annual salary computed as set forth in the

3 following schedule. The assessed valuation factor shall be the amount thereof as
 4 shown for the year next preceding the computation. **The county clerk shall**
 5 **receive the same percentage adjustments provided in that county for**
 6 **county officers under section 50.333.** The provisions of this section shall not
 7 permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the
 8 office of clerk on January 1, 1997.

9	Assessed Valuation	Salary
10	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
11	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	30,000
12	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	32,000
13	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	34,000
14	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	36,000
15	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	38,000
16	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	40,000
17	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	41,000
18	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
19	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
20	300,000,000 or more	45,000

21 2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 22 payable to the clerk only if the clerk has completed at least twenty hours of
 23 classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the clerk's
 24 office when approved by a professional association of the county clerks of Missouri
 25 unless exempted from the training by the professional association. The
 26 professional association approving the program shall provide a certificate of
 27 completion to each clerk who completes the training program and shall send a list
 28 of certified clerks to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for
 29 attending the training session may be reimbursed to the county clerk in the same
 30 manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.

31 3. The county clerk may retain any fees to which he is entitled for services
 32 performed in the issuance of fish and game licenses or permits.

33 4. The county clerk in any county, other than a first classification charter
 34 county or a first classification county not having a charter form of government
 35 and not containing any part of a city with a population of three hundred thousand
 36 or more, shall not, except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the salary
 37 commission, receive an annual compensation in an amount less than the total
 38 compensation being received for the office of county clerk in the particular county

39 for services rendered or performed on the date the salary commission votes.

52.269. 1. In all counties, except first classification counties having a
 2 charter form of government and first classification counties not having a charter
 3 form of government and not containing any part of a city with a population of
 4 three hundred thousand or more, the county collector shall receive an annual
 5 salary which shall be paid in equal monthly installments by the county. The
 6 salary shall be computed on an assessed valuation basis as provided in this
 7 subsection. The assessed valuation factor shall be the amount as shown for the
 8 year next preceding the annual salary computation. A county collector subject to
 9 the provisions of this section shall not receive an annual compensation less than
 10 the total compensation being received by the county collector in that county for
 11 services rendered or performed for the period beginning March 1, 1987, and
 12 ending February 29, 1988. The county collector shall receive the same percentage
 13 adjustments provided [by the county salary commissions for county officers] in
 14 that county pursuant to section 50.333. The provisions of this section shall not
 15 permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the
 16 office of county collector on January 1, 1997, or less than the total compensation
 17 being received for the services rendered or performed for the period beginning
 18 March 1, 1987, and ending February 29, 1988. The salary shall be computed on
 19 the basis of the following schedule:

20	Assessed Valuation	Salary
21	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
22	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	30,000
23	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	32,000
24	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	34,000
25	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	36,000
26	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	38,000
27	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	40,000
28	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	41,000
29	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
30	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
31	300,000,000 or more	45,000

32 2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 33 payable to the collector only if the collector has completed at least twenty hours
 34 of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the
 35 collector's office when approved by a professional association of the county

36 collectors of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the professional
 37 association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a
 38 certificate of completion to each collector who completes the training program and
 39 shall send a list of certified collectors to the treasurer of each county. Expenses
 40 incurred for attending the training session may be reimbursed to the county
 41 collector in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that
 42 purpose.

43 3. Any provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, any fee provided
 44 for in section 52.250 or 52.275, when collected on ditch and levee taxes, shall not
 45 be collected on behalf of the county and deposited into the county general revenue
 46 fund. Such fee shall be retained by the collector as compensation for his services,
 47 in addition to any amount provided for such collector in this section.

48 4. Except as provided in subsection 3 of this section, after the next general
 49 election following January 1, 1988, all fees collected by the collector shall be
 50 collected on behalf of the county and deposited in the county general revenue
 51 fund.

53.082. 1. The county assessor in any county, other than in a first
 2 classification county, shall receive an annual salary computed as set forth in the
 3 following schedule provided in this subsection. The assessed valuation factor
 4 shall be the amount thereof as shown for the year next preceding the
 5 computation. **The county assessor shall receive the same percentage**
 6 **adjustments provided in that county for county officers under section**
 7 **50.333.** The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction in
 8 the amount of compensation being paid for the office of assessor on September 1,
 9 1997.

10	Assessed Valuation	Salary
11	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
12	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	30,000
13	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	32,000
14	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	34,000
15	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	36,000
16	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	38,000
17	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	40,000
18	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	41,000
19	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
20	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000

13	Assessed Valuation	Salary
14	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
15	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	30,000
16	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	32,000
17	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	34,000
18	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	36,000
19	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	38,000
20	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	40,000
21	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	41,000
22	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
23	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
24	300,000,000 or more	45,000

25 3. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 26 payable to the treasurer only if the treasurer has completed at least twenty hours
 27 of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the
 28 treasurer's office when approved by a professional association of the county
 29 treasurers or county collectors of Missouri unless exempted from the training by
 30 the professional association. The professional association approving the program
 31 shall provide a certificate of completion to each treasurer who completes the
 32 training program and shall send a list of certified treasurers to the county
 33 commission of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session
 34 may be reimbursed to the county treasurer in the same manner as other expenses
 35 as may be appropriated for that purpose.

36 4. The county treasurer in any county, other than a county of the first
 37 classification having a charter form of government or a county of the first
 38 classification not having a charter form of government and not containing any
 39 part of a city with a population of three hundred thousand or more, shall not,
 40 except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the commission, receive an
 41 annual compensation in an amount less than the total compensation being
 42 received for the office of county treasurer in the particular county for services
 43 rendered or performed on the date the salary commission votes.

44 5. In the event of a vacancy due to death, resignation, or otherwise in the
 45 office of treasurer in any county except a county with a charter form of
 46 government, and when there is no deputy treasurer, the county commission shall
 47 appoint a qualified acting treasurer until such time as the vacancy is filled by the
 48 governor pursuant to section 105.030 or the elected treasurer returns to

49 work. The county commission shall employ and fix the compensation of clerical
 50 and other assistants necessary to enable the interim treasurer to efficiently
 51 perform the duties of the office.

54.320. 1. The county collector-treasurer in counties of the third and
 2 fourth classifications adopting township organization shall receive an annual
 3 salary as set forth in the following schedule. The assessed valuation factor shall
 4 be the amount thereof as shown for the year next preceding the computation. A
 5 county collector-treasurer subject to the provisions of this section shall not receive
 6 an annual compensation less than the total compensation being received by the
 7 county treasurer ex officio collector in that county for services rendered or
 8 performed for the period beginning March 1, 1987, and ending February 29,
 9 1988. The county collector-treasurer shall receive the same percentage
 10 adjustments provided [by county salary commissions] for county officers in that
 11 county pursuant to section 50.333. The provisions of this section shall not permit
 12 or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of
 13 county treasurer ex officio collector on January 1, 1997, or less than the total
 14 compensation being received for the services rendered or performed for the period
 15 beginning March 1, 1987, and ending February 29, 1988. The salary shall be
 16 computed on the basis of the following schedule:

17	Assessed Valuation	Salary
18	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
19	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	30,000
20	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	32,000
21	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	34,000
22	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	36,000
23	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	38,000
24	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	40,000
25	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	41,000
26	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
27	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
28	300,000,000 to 449,999,999	45,000

29 In addition, the collector-treasurer shall collect on behalf of the county a fee for
 30 the collection of all back taxes and all delinquent taxes of two percent on all sums
 31 collected to be added to the face of the tax bill, and collected from the party
 32 paying the tax. The collector-treasurer shall collect on behalf of the county a fee
 33 of three percent on all licenses, including current railroad and utility taxes,

34 surtax, back taxes, delinquent taxes and interest collected by the
35 collector-treasurer, to be deducted from the amounts collected. The
36 collector-treasurer shall collect on behalf of the county for the purpose of mailing
37 statements and receipts required by section 139.350 a fee of one-half of one
38 percent on all licenses and all taxes, including current taxes, back taxes,
39 delinquent taxes, and interest collected by the collector-treasurer, to be deducted
40 from the amounts collected. All fees collected under this section shall be collected
41 on behalf of the county and shall be deposited in the county treasury or as
42 provided by law. Collector-treasurers in counties having a township form of
43 government are entitled to collect such fees immediately upon an order of the
44 circuit court under section 139.031. If the protest is later sustained and a portion
45 of the taxes so paid is returned to the taxpayer the county shall return that
46 portion of the fee collected on the amount returned to the taxpayer. The
47 collector-treasurer in each of the third and fourth classification counties which
48 have adopted the township form of county government is entitled to employ
49 deputies and assistants, and for the deputies and assistants is allowed not less
50 than the amount allowed in 2003-2004, whichever is greater.

51 2. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the
52 collector-treasurer in each county of the third or fourth classification having a
53 township form of government shall employ not fewer than one full-time
54 deputy. The collector-treasurer may employ such number of deputies and
55 assistants as may be necessary to perform the duties of the office of
56 collector-treasurer promptly and correctly, as determined by the
57 collector-treasurer. The office of the collector-treasurer shall be funded
58 sufficiently to compensate deputies and assistants at a level no less than the
59 compensation provided for other county employees. Such deputies and assistants
60 shall be allowed adjustments in compensation at the same percentage as provided
61 for other county employees, as effective January first each year.

62 3. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
63 payable to the collector-treasurer only if such officer has completed at least
64 twenty hours of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the
65 operations of the collector-treasurer's office when approved by a professional
66 association of the county treasurers or county collectors of Missouri unless
67 exempted from the training by the professional association. The professional
68 association approving the program shall provide a certificate of completion to
69 each collector-treasurer who completes the training program and shall send a list

70 of certified collector-treasurers to the county commission of each
 71 county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session may be reimbursed
 72 to the county collector-treasurer in the same manner as other expenses as may
 73 be appropriated for that purpose.

55.091. 1. The county auditor in any county, other than in a first
 2 classification chartered county or a first classification county not having a charter
 3 form of government and not containing any part of a city with a population of
 4 three hundred thousand or more, shall receive an annual salary computed on an
 5 assessed valuation basis as set forth in the following schedule. **The county**
 6 **auditor shall receive the same percentage adjustments provided in that**
 7 **county for county officers in accordance with section 50.333.** The
 8 assessed valuation factor shall be the amount thereof as shown for the year next
 9 preceding the computation. The provisions of this section shall not permit or
 10 require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of
 11 auditor on January 1, 1997.

12	Assessed Valuation	Salary
13	\$ 131,000,000 to 189,999,999	\$40,500
14	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
15	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
16	300,000,000 to 399,999,999	45,000
17	400,000,000 to 499,999,999	46,000
18	500,000,000 or more	47,000

19 2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 20 payable to the auditor only if the auditor has completed at least twenty hours of
 21 classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the
 22 auditor's office when approved by a professional association of the county auditors
 23 of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the professional
 24 association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a
 25 certificate of completion to each auditor who completes the training program and
 26 shall send a list of certified auditors to the treasurer of each county. Expenses
 27 incurred attending the training session may be reimbursed to the county auditor
 28 in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.

29 3. The county auditor in any county, other than a first classification
 30 charter county, shall not, except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the
 31 salary commission, receive an annual compensation less than the total
 32 compensation being received for the office of county auditor in the particular

33 county for services rendered or performed on the date the salary commission
 34 votes.

57.317. 1. The county sheriff in any county, other than in a first
 2 classification chartered county, shall receive an annual salary computed as set
 3 forth in the following schedule. The assessed valuation factor shall be the
 4 amount thereof as shown for the year next preceding the computation. **The**
 5 **county sheriff shall receive the same percentage adjustments provided**
 6 **in that county for county officers in accordance with section**
 7 **50.333.** The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction in
 8 the amount of compensation being paid for the office of sheriff on January 1,
 9 1997.

10	Assessed Valuation	Salary
11	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$36,000
12	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	37,000
13	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	38,000
14	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	39,000
15	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	40,000
16	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	42,000
17	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	44,000
18	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	45,000
19	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	46,000
20	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	48,000
21	300,000,000 to 449,999,999	50,000
22	450,000,000 to 599,999,999	52,000
23	600,000,000 to 749,999,999	54,000
24	750,000,000 to 899,999,999	56,000
25	900,000,000 to 1,049,999,999	58,000
26	1,050,000,000 to 1,199,999,999	60,000
27	1,200,000,000 to 1,349,999,999	62,000
28	1,350,000,000 and over	64,000

29 2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 30 payable to the sheriff only if the sheriff has completed at least twenty hours of
 31 classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the sheriff's
 32 office when approved by a professional association of the county sheriffs of
 33 Missouri unless exempted from the training by the professional association. The
 34 professional association approving the program shall provide a certificate of

35 completion to each sheriff who completes the training program and shall send a
 36 list of certified sheriffs to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for
 37 attending the training session may be reimbursed to the county sheriff in the
 38 same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.

39 3. The county sheriff in any county, other than a first classification
 40 charter county, shall not, except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the
 41 salary commission, receive an annual compensation less than the total
 42 compensation being received for the office of county sheriff in the particular
 43 county for services rendered or performed on the date the salary commission
 44 votes.

58.095. 1. The county coroner in any county, other than in a first
 2 classification chartered county, shall receive an annual salary computed on a
 3 basis as set forth in the following schedule. **The county coroner shall receive**
 4 **the same percentage adjustments provided in that county for county**
 5 **officers in accordance with section 50.333.** The provisions of this section
 6 shall not permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid
 7 for the office of coroner on January 1, 1997:

8	Assessed Valuation	Salary
9	\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$ 8,000
10	41,000,000 to 53,999,999	8,500
11	54,000,000 to 65,999,999	9,000
12	66,000,000 to 85,999,999	9,500
13	86,000,000 to 99,999,999	10,000
14	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	11,000
15	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	12,000
16	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	13,000
17	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	14,000
18	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	15,000
19	300,000,000 or more	16,000

20 2. One thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be
 21 payable to the coroner only if the coroner has completed at least twenty hours of
 22 classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the
 23 coroner's office when approved by a professional association of the county
 24 coroners of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the professional
 25 association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a
 26 certificate of completion to each coroner who completes the training program and

27 shall send a list of certified coroners to the treasurer of each county. Expenses
28 incurred for attending the training session may be reimbursed to the county
29 coroner in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that
30 purpose. All elected or appointed coroners, deputy coroners, and assistants to the
31 coroner shall complete the annual training described in this subsection within six
32 months of election or appointment.

33 3. The county coroner in any county, other than a first classification
34 charter county, shall not, except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the
35 salary commission, receive an annual compensation in an amount less than the
36 total compensation being received for the office of county coroner in the particular
37 county for services rendered or performed on the date the salary commission
38 votes.

39 4. For the term beginning in 1997, the compensation of the coroner, in
40 counties in which the salary commission has not voted to pay one hundred
41 percent of the maximum allowable salary, shall be a percentage of the maximum
42 allowable salary established by this section. The percentage applied shall be the
43 same percentage of the maximum allowable salary received or allowed, whichever
44 is greater, to the presiding commissioner or sheriff, whichever is greater, of that
45 county for the year beginning January 1, 1997. In those counties in which the
46 salary commission has voted to pay one hundred percent of the maximum
47 allowable salary, the compensation of the coroner shall be based on the maximum
48 allowable salary in effect at each time a coroner's term of office commences
49 following the vote to pay one hundred percent of the maximum allowable
50 compensation. Subsequent compensation shall be determined as provided in
51 section 50.333.

52 5. Effective January 1, 1997, the county coroner in any county, other than
53 a county of the first classification with a charter form of government, may, upon
54 the approval of the county commission, receive additional compensation for any
55 month during which investigations or other services are performed for three or
56 more decedents in the same incident during such month. The additional
57 compensation shall be an amount that when added to the regular compensation
58 the sum shall equal the monthly compensation of the county sheriff.

473.742. 1. Each public administrator in counties of the second, third or
2 fourth classification and in the city of St. Louis shall make a determination
3 within thirty days after taking office whether such public administrator shall
4 elect to receive a salary as defined herein or receive fees as may be allowed by

5 law to executors, administrators and personal representatives. The election by
 6 the public administrator shall be made in writing to the county clerk. Should the
 7 public administrator elect to receive a salary, the public administrator's office
 8 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, **shall receive the same percentage adjustments**
 22 **provided in that county for county officers in accordance with section**
 23 **50.333**, and shall be paid according to the assessed valuation schedule set forth
 24 below:

25	Assessed valuation	Salary
26	\$ 8,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
27	\$ 41,000,000 to 53,999,999	\$30,000
28	\$ 54,000,000 to 65,999,999	\$32,000
29	\$ 66,000,000 to 85,999,999	\$34,000
30	\$ 86,000,000 to 99,999,999	\$36,000
31	\$ 100,000,000 to 130,999,999	\$38,000
32	\$ 131,000,000 to 159,999,999	\$40,000
33	\$ 160,000,000 to 189,999,999	\$41,000
34	\$ 190,000,000 to 249,999,999	\$41,500
35	\$ 250,000,000 to 299,999,999	\$43,000
36	\$ 300,000,000 to 449,999,999	\$45,000
37	\$ 450,000,000 to 599,999,999	\$47,000
38	\$ 600,000,000 to 749,999,999	\$49,000
39	\$ 750,000,000 to 899,999,999	\$51,000
40	\$ 900,000,000 to 1,049,999,999	\$53,000

41	\$1,050,000,000 to 1,199,999,999	\$55,000
42	\$1,200,000,000 to 1,349,999,999	\$57,000
43	\$1,350,000,000 and over	\$59,000;

44 (6) The public administrator in the city of St. Louis shall receive a salary
45 not less than sixty-five thousand dollars;

46 (7) Two thousand dollars of the compensation authorized in this section
47 shall be payable to the public administrator only if he or she has completed at
48 least twenty hours of instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of
49 the public administrator's office when approved by a professional association of
50 the county public administrators of Missouri unless exempted from the training
51 by the professional association. The professional association approving the
52 program shall provide a certificate of completion to each public administrator who
53 completes the training program and shall send a list of certified public
54 administrators to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending
55 the training session shall be reimbursed to the county public administrator in the
56 same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.

57 3. The initial compensation of the public administrator who elects to be
58 put on salary shall be determined by the average number of letters for the two
59 years preceding the term when the salary is elected. Salary increases or
60 decreases according to the minimum schedule set forth in subsection 1 of this
61 section shall be adjusted only after the number of open letters places the
62 workload in a different subdivision for two consecutive years. Minimum salary
63 increases or decreases shall only take effect upon a new term of office of the
64 public administrator. The number of letters each year shall be determined in
65 accordance with the reporting requirements set forth in law.

66 4. All fees collected by a public administrator who elects to be salaried
67 shall be deposited in the county treasury or with the treasurer for the city of St.
68 Louis.

69 5. Any public administrator in a county of the first classification without
70 a charter form of government with a population of less than one hundred
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.

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