

SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 944

AN ACT

To repeal section 57.540, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to compensation for the attorney of the sheriff of the city of St. Louis.

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

Section A. Section 57.540, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 57.540, to read as follows:

57.540. 1. The sheriff of the City of St. Louis may employ an attorney at law to aid and advise him in the discharge of his duties and to represent him in court[, which said attorney shall be known as "sheriff's attorney", and who shall receive as compensation for his services as such sheriff's attorney a sum of not less than three thousand dollars and not more than fifteen thousand dollars per annum, payable in semimonthly installments]. The sheriff shall set the compensation for an attorney hired pursuant to this section, such compensation shall be paid out of the same funds and revenue as the sheriff of such city is paid.

2. The attorney employed by a sheriff pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall be employed at the pleasure of the sheriff.