

**SB325 ENROLLED**



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2 By Senator Carnley (N & P)  
3 RFD: Local Legislation  
4 First Read: 16-May-23  
5 2023 Regular Session



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 Relating to Coffee County; to amend Section 45-16-62,  
4 Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for the appointment  
5 of a chief deputy coroner and a deputy coroner, to provide for  
6 compensation for the chief deputy coroner and deputy coroner,  
7 and to repeal Section 45-16-61, Code of Alabama 1975, relating  
8 to the appointment of a deputy coroner.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10 Section 1. Section 45-16-62, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 "§45-16-62

13 (a) The coroner shall be elected at the general  
14 election and every four years thereafter, and shall serve for  
15 a term of four years.

16 (b) The coroner shall appoint a chief deputy coroner  
17 from the judicial circuit division of the county where the  
18 elected coroner does not reside. The chief deputy coroner  
19 shall be entitled to compensation in the amount of four  
20 hundred dollars (\$400) per month. The coroner may appoint one  
21 deputy coroner. The deputy coroner shall be entitled to  
22 compensation in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300) per  
23 month. The Coffee County Commission may adjust the  
24 compensation and any expense allowance for the chief deputy  
25 coroner or deputy coroner by resolution of the commission. Any  
26 compensation or expense allowance shall be paid from the  
27 county general fund by the county commission.

28 (c) (1) A Coroner of Coffee County who is first elected



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29 or appointed on or after September 22, 2015, shall receive an  
30 annual base salary of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)  
31 per year, which shall be paid in the same manner and at the  
32 same time as other county employees.

33 (2) The annual salary provided in subdivision (1) shall  
34 continue to be adjusted thereafter as authorized in Chapter 2A  
35 of Title 11.

36 (3) If there is a break in continuous service as  
37 coroner on or after September 22, 2015, upon reappointment or  
38 reelection as coroner, he or she shall receive the base salary  
39 as provided in subdivision (1), which may be adjusted as  
40 provided in subdivision (2).

41 (d) The coroner may participate in the same retirement  
42 system and the same insurance plan in the same manner and upon  
43 the same terms and conditions as any other employee of the  
44 county.

45 (e) The Coffee County Commission shall pay all expenses  
46 incurred or required by the coroner, ~~and~~ chief deputy coroner,  
47 and deputy coroner to perform the duties of his or her office,  
48 including travel expenses ~~pursuant to state-approved rates for~~  
49 ~~state employees~~, radio and paging equipment and maintenance  
50 costs, and association dues and continuing education expenses.  
51 The expenses shall be paid from the county general fund by the  
52 county commission."

53 Section 2. Section 45-16-61, Code of Alabama 1975,  
54 relating to the appointment of a deputy coroner is repealed.

55 Section 3. This act shall become effective immediately  
56 following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its



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57 otherwise becoming law.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 23-May-23

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed  
the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

Passed: 31-May-23

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By: Senator Carnley