

HOUSE BILL NO. 2497

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 officials.

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Sections 49.082, 50.327, 50.333, 51.281, 52.269, 53.082, 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 57.317, 58.095, and 473.742, RSMo, are repealed and twelve new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 49.082, 50.327, 50.333, 51.281, 52.269, 53.082, 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 57.317,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
\$18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$19,140
41,000,000 to 53,999,999	19,800
54,000,000 to 65,999,999	21,120
66,000,000 to 85,999,999	22,440
86,000,000 to 99,999,999	23,760

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15	100,000,000 to 130,999,999	25,080
16	131,000,000 to 159,999,999	26,400
17	160,000,000 to 189,999,999	27,060
18	190,000,000 to 249,999,999	27,390
19	250,000,000 to 299,999,999	28,380
20	300,000,000 or more	29,700

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

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

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

 50.327. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the salary schedules
 2 contained in section 49.082, sections 50.334 and 50.343, 51.281, 51.282, 52.269, 53.082, 53.083,
 3 54.261, 54.320, 55.091, 56.265, 57.317, 58.095, and 473.742 shall be set as a base schedule for
 4 those county officials **and such officials may receive up to two hundred percent the**
 5 **maximum compensation in the base schedule in accordance with section 50.333.** Except
 6 when it is necessary to increase newly elected or reelected county officials' salaries, in
 7 accordance with Section 13, Article VII, Constitution of Missouri, **and except as otherwise**
 8 **provided under section 50.333,** to comply with the requirements of this section, the salary
 9 commission in all counties except charter counties in this state shall be responsible for the
 10 computation of salaries of all county officials; provided, however, that any percentage salary
 11 adjustments in a county shall be equal for all such officials in that county.

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

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

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

- 13 (1) The recorder of deeds if the recorder's office is separate from that of the circuit clerk;
14 (2) The county clerk;
15 (3) [The prosecuting attorney;
16 (4)] The sheriff;
17 [(5)] **(4)** The county commissioners;
18 [(6)] **(5)** The collector or treasurer ex officio collector;
19 [(7)] **(6)** The treasurer or treasurer ex officio collector;
20 [(8)] **(7)** The assessor;
21 [(9)] **(8)** The auditor;
22 [(10)] **(9)** The public administrator; and
23 [(11)] **(10)** The coroner.

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

26 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 610.021 and 610.022, all meetings of a
27 county salary commission shall be open meetings and all votes taken at such meetings shall be
28 open records. Any vote taken at any meeting of the salary commission shall be taken by recorded
29 yeas and nays.

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

37 6. For purposes of this section, the 1988 base compensation is the compensation paid on
38 September 1, 1987, plus the same percentage increase paid or allowed, whichever is greater, to
39 the presiding commissioner or the sheriff, whichever is greater, of that county for the year
40 beginning January 1, 1988. Such increase shall be expressed as a percentage of the difference
41 between the maximum allowable compensation and the compensation paid on September 1,
42 1987. At its meeting in 1987 and at any meeting held in 1988, the salary commission shall
43 determine the compensation to be paid to every county officer holding office on January 1, 1988.
44 The salary commission shall establish the compensation for each office at an amount not greater
45 than that set by law as the maximum compensation. If the salary commission votes to increase
46 compensation, but not to pay the maximum amount authorized by law for any officer or office,
47 then the increase in compensation shall be the same percentage increase for all officers and
48 offices and shall be expressed as a percentage of the difference between the maximum allowable
49 compensation and the compensation being received at the time of the vote. If two-thirds of the
50 members of the salary commission vote to decrease the compensation being received at the time
51 of the vote below that compensation, all officers shall receive the same percentage decrease. The
52 commission may vote not to increase or decrease the compensation and that compensation shall
53 continue to be the salary of such offices and officers during the subsequent term of office.

54 7. For the year 1989 and every second year thereafter, the salary commission shall meet
55 in every county as many times as it deems necessary on or prior to November thirtieth of any
56 such year for the purpose of determining the amount of compensation to be paid to county
57 officials. For each year in which the commission meets, the members shall elect a chairman
58 from their number. The county clerk shall present a report on the financial condition of the
59 county to the commission once the chairman is elected, and shall keep minutes of the meeting.
60 The salary commission shall then consider the compensation to be paid for the next term of
61 office for each county officer to be elected at their next general election. If the commission votes
62 not to increase or decrease the compensation, the salary being paid during the term in which the
63 vote was taken shall continue as the salary of such offices and officers during the subsequent
64 term of office. If the salary commission votes to increase the compensation, all officers or
65 offices whose compensation is being considered by the commission at that time shall receive the
66 same percentage, **up to two hundred percent**, of the maximum allowable compensation.
67 [However, for any county in which all offices' and officers' salaries have been set at one hundred
68 percent of the maximum allowable compensation, the commission may vote to increase the
69 compensation of all offices except that of full-time prosecuting attorneys at that or any
70 subsequent meeting of the salary commission without regard to any law or maximum limitation
71 established by law.] Such increase shall be expressed as a percentage of the compensation being
72 paid during the term of office when the vote is taken, and each officer or office whose

73 compensation is being established by the salary commission at that time shall receive the same
74 percentage increase over the compensation being paid for that office during the term when the
75 vote is taken. This increase shall be in addition to any increase mandated by an official's salary
76 schedule because of changes in assessed valuation during the current term. If the salary
77 commission votes to decrease the compensation, a vote of two-thirds or more of all the members
78 of the salary commission shall be required before the salary or other compensation of any county
79 office shall be decreased below the compensation being paid for the particular office on the date
80 the salary commission votes, and all officers and offices shall receive the same percentage
81 decrease.

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

87 The salary commission for County hereby certifies that it has met pursuant to law
88 to establish compensation for county officers to be paid to such officers during the next term of
89 office for the officers affected. The salary commission reports that there shall be (no increase
90 in compensation) (an increase of percent) (a decrease of percent) (county officer's
91 salaries set at percent of the maximum allowable compensation). Salaries shall be
92 adjusted each year on the official's year of incumbency for any change in the last completed
93 assessment that would affect the maximum allowable compensation for that office.

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

102 10. Other provisions of law notwithstanding, in every instance where an officer or
103 employee of any county is paid a mileage allowance or reimbursement, the county commission
104 shall allow or reimburse such officers or employees out of the county treasury at the highest rate
105 paid to any county officer for each mile actually and necessarily traveled in the performance of
106 their official duties. The county commission of any county may elect to pay a mileage allowance
107 for any county commissioner for travel going to and returning from the place of holding
108 commission meetings and for all other necessary travel on official county business in the

109 personal motor vehicle of the commissioner presenting the claim. The governing body of any
110 county of the first classification not having a charter form of government may provide by order
111 for the payment of mileage expenses of elected and appointed county officials by payment of a
112 certain amount monthly which would reflect the average monthly mileage expenses of such
113 officer based on the amount allowed pursuant to state law for the payment of mileage for state
114 employees. Any order entered for such purpose shall not be construed as salary, wages or other
115 compensation for services rendered.

116 11. The term "maximum allowable compensation" as used in this section means the
117 highest compensation which may be paid to the specified officer or office in the particular county
118 based on the salary schedule established by law for the specified officer or office. If the salary
119 commission at its meeting in 1987 voted for one hundred percent of the maximum allowable
120 compensation and does not change such vote at its meeting held within thirty days after May 13,
121 1988, as provided in subsection 6 of this section, the one hundred percent shall be calculated on
122 the basis of the total allowable compensation permitted after May 13, 1988.

123 12. At the salary commission meeting which establishes the percentage rate to be applied
124 to county officers during the next term of office, the salary commission may authorize the further
125 adjustment of such officers' compensation as a cost-of-living component and effective January
126 first of each year, the compensation for county officers may be adjusted by the county
127 commission, and if the adjustment of compensation is authorized, the percentage increase shall
128 be the same for all county officers, not to exceed the percentage increase given to the other
129 county employees. The compensation for all county officers may be set as a group, although the
130 change in compensation will not become effective until the next term of office for each officer.

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

137 **14. As a cost of living adjustment, beginning January 1, 2017, the compensation of**
138 **each county officer shall increase by ten percent, and on January first each year thereafter,**
139 **the compensation of each county officer shall increase by two percent, until the officer's**
140 **total compensation is at two hundred percent of the maximum allowable compensation.**
141 **Such increase shall occur regardless of any action taken by the county salary commission**
142 **under this section unless the county officer's compensation is set at or has reached two**
143 **hundred percent of the maximum allowable compensation, in which case the county officer**
144 **shall not receive further increases under this subsection.**

51.281. 1. The county clerk in any county, other than in a first classification county, shall 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 county clerk shall receive the same percentage adjustments provided in that county for county officers under section 50.333.** The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of clerk on January 1, 1997.

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

2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable to the clerk only if the clerk has completed at least twenty hours of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the clerk's office when approved by a professional association of the county clerks 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 clerk who completes the training program and shall send a list of certified clerks to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session may be reimbursed to the county clerk in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.

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

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

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

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

2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable to the collector only if the collector has completed at least twenty hours of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the collector's office when approved by a professional association of the county collectors 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 collector who completes the training program and shall send a list of certified collectors to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the

36 training session may be reimbursed to the county collector in the same manner as other expenses
 37 as may be appropriated for that purpose.

38 3. Any provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, any fee provided for in section
 39 52.250 or 52.275, when collected on ditch and levee taxes, shall not be collected on behalf of the
 40 county and deposited into the county general revenue fund. Such fee shall be retained by the
 41 collector as compensation for his services, in addition to any amount provided for such collector
 42 in this section.

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

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

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

20 2. The compensation for county assessors in second, third and fourth classification
 21 counties for the term of office beginning September 1, 1997, shall be calculated pursuant to the
 22 salary schedule in this section using the percentage increase approved by the county salary
 23 commission when establishing the compensation for the office of county assessor at the salary
 24 commission meeting in 1997. This salary shall become effective on September 1, 1997.

25 3. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable to the
 26 assessor only if the assessor has completed at least twenty hours of classroom instruction each

27 calendar year relating to the operations of the assessor's office when approved by a professional
 28 association of the county assessors of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the
 29 professional association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a
 30 certificate of completion to each assessor who completes the training program and shall send a
 31 list of certified assessors to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the
 32 training session may be reimbursed to the county assessor in the same manner as other expenses
 33 as may be appropriated for that purpose.

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

54.261. 1. The county treasurer in counties of the first classification, not having a charter
 2 form of government and containing a portion of a city with a population of three hundred
 3 thousand or more, and in counties of the second, third and fourth classifications of this state,
 4 shall receive as compensation for services performed by the treasurer an annual salary based
 5 upon the assessed valuation of the county. **The county treasurer shall receive the same**
 6 **percentage adjustments provided in that county for county officers in accordance with**
 7 **section 50.333.** The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction, nor shall
 8 require an increase, in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of treasurer on
 9 January 1, 2002.

10 2. The amount of salary based upon assessed valuation shall be computed according to
 11 the following schedule:

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

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

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

40 5. In the event of a vacancy due to death, resignation, or otherwise in the office of
41 treasurer in any county except a county with a charter form of government, and when there is no
42 deputy treasurer, the county commission shall appoint a qualified acting treasurer until such time
43 as the vacancy is filled by the governor pursuant to section 105.030 or the elected treasurer
44 returns to work. The county commission shall employ and fix the compensation of clerical and
45 other assistants necessary to enable the interim treasurer to efficiently perform the duties of the
46 office.

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

13 March 1, 1987, and ending February 29, 1988. The salary shall be computed on the basis of the
 14 following schedule:

15 Assessed Valuation	Salary
16 \$18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
17 41,000,000 to 53,999,999	30,000
18 54,000,000 to 65,999,999	32,000
19 66,000,000 to 85,999,999	34,000
20 86,000,000 to 99,999,999	36,000
21 100,000,000 to 130,999,999	38,000
22 131,000,000 to 159,999,999	40,000
23 160,000,000 to 189,999,999	41,000
24 190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
25 250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
26 300,000,000 to 449,999,999	45,000

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

46 2. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the collector-treasurer in each
 47 county of the third or fourth classification having a township form of government shall employ
 48 not fewer than one full-time deputy. The collector-treasurer may employ such number of

49 deputies and assistants as may be necessary to perform the duties of the office of
 50 collector-treasurer promptly and correctly, as determined by the collector-treasurer. The office
 51 of the collector-treasurer shall be funded sufficiently to compensate deputies and assistants at a
 52 level no less than the compensation provided for other county employees. Such deputies and
 53 assistants shall be allowed adjustments in compensation at the same percentage as provided for
 54 other county employees, as effective January first each year.

55 3. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable to the
 56 collector-treasurer only if such officer has completed at least twenty hours of classroom
 57 instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the collector-treasurer's office when
 58 approved by a professional association of the county treasurers or county collectors of Missouri
 59 unless exempted from the training by the professional association. The professional association
 60 approving the program shall provide a certificate of completion to each collector-treasurer who
 61 completes the training program and shall send a list of certified collector-treasurers to the county
 62 commission of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session may be
 63 reimbursed to the county collector-treasurer in the same manner as other expenses as may be
 64 appropriated for that purpose.

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

10 Assessed Valuation	Salary
11 \$131,000,000 to 189,999,999	\$40,500
12 190,000,000 to 249,999,999	41,500
13 250,000,000 to 299,999,999	43,000
14 300,000,000 to 399,999,999	45,000
15 400,000,000 to 499,999,999	46,000
16 500,000,000 or more	47,000

17 2. Two thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable to the
 18 auditor only if the auditor has completed at least twenty hours of classroom instruction each
 19 calendar year relating to the operations of the auditor's office when approved by a professional
 20 association of the county auditors of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the

21 professional association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a
 22 certificate of completion to each auditor who completes the training program and shall send a
 23 list of certified auditors to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred attending the training
 24 session may be reimbursed to the county auditor in the same manner as other expenses as may
 25 be appropriated for that purpose.

26 3. The county auditor in any county, other than a first classification charter county, shall
 27 not, except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the salary commission, receive an annual
 28 compensation less than the total compensation being received for the office of county auditor in
 29 the particular county for services rendered or performed on the date the salary commission votes.

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

8 Assessed Valuation	Salary
9 \$18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$36,000
10 41,000,000 to 53,999,999	37,000
11 54,000,000 to 65,999,999	38,000
12 66,000,000 to 85,999,999	39,000
13 86,000,000 to 99,999,999	40,000
14 100,000,000 to 130,999,999	42,000
15 131,000,000 to 159,999,999	44,000
16 160,000,000 to 189,999,999	45,000
17 190,000,000 to 249,999,999	46,000
18 250,000,000 to 299,999,999	48,000
19 300,000,000 to 449,999,999	50,000
20 450,000,000 to 599,999,999	52,000
21 600,000,000 to 749,999,999	54,000
22 750,000,000 to 899,999,999	56,000
23 900,000,000 to 1,049,999,999	58,000
24 1,050,000,000 to 1,199,999,999	60,000
25 1,200,000,000 to 1,349,999,999	62,000
26 1,350,000,000 and over	64,000

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

8 2. If a public administrator elects to be placed on salary, the salary shall be based upon
 9 the average number of open letters in the two years preceding the term when the salary is elected,
 10 based upon the following schedule:

11 (1) Zero to five letters: salary shall be a minimum of seven thousand five hundred
 12 dollars;

13 (2) Six to fifteen letters: salary shall be a minimum of fifteen thousand dollars;

14 (3) Sixteen to twenty-five letters: salary shall be a minimum of twenty thousand dollars;

15 (4) Twenty-six to thirty-nine letters: salary shall be a minimum of twenty-five thousand
 16 dollars;

17 (5) Public administrators with forty or more letters shall be considered full-time county
 18 officials, **shall receive the same percentage adjustments provided in that county for county**
 19 **officers in accordance with section 50.333**, and shall be paid according to the assessed
 20 valuation schedule set forth below:

Assessed valuation	Salary
\$ 8,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$29,000
\$ 41,000,000 to 53,999,999	\$30,000
\$ 54,000,000 to 65,999,999	\$32,000
\$ 66,000,000 to 85,999,999	\$34,000
\$ 86,000,000 to 99,999,999	\$36,000
\$ 100,000,000 to 130,999,999	\$38,000
\$ 131,000,000 to 159,999,999	\$40,000
\$ 160,000,000 to 189,999,999	\$41,000
\$ 190,000,000 to 249,999,999	\$41,500
\$ 250,000,000 to 299,999,999	\$43,000
\$ 300,000,000 to 449,999,999	\$45,000
\$ 450,000,000 to 599,999,999	\$47,000
\$ 600,000,000 to 749,999,999	\$49,000
\$ 750,000,000 to 899,999,999	\$51,000
\$ 900,000,000 to 1,049,999,999	\$53,000
\$ 1,050,000,000 to 1,199,999,999	\$55,000
\$ 1,200,000,000 to 1,349,999,999	\$57,000
\$1,350,000,000 and over	\$59,000;

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

42 (7) Two thousand dollars of the compensation authorized in this section shall be payable
 43 to the public administrator only if he or she has completed at least twenty hours of instruction

44 each calendar year relating to the operations of the public administrator's office when approved
45 by a professional association of the county public administrators of Missouri unless exempted
46 from the training by the professional association. The professional association approving the
47 program shall provide a certificate of completion to each public administrator who completes
48 the training program and shall send a list of certified public administrators to the treasurer of
49 each county. Expenses incurred for attending the training session shall be reimbursed to the
50 county public administrator in the same manner as other expenses as may be appropriated for that
51 purpose.

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

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

62 5. Any public administrator in a county of the first classification without a charter form
63 of government with a population of less than one hundred thousand inhabitants who elects to
64 receive fees in lieu of a salary pursuant to this section may elect to join the Missouri local
65 government employees' retirement system created pursuant to sections 70.600 to 70.755.

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