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HOUSE BILL NO. 1385

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES NOLTE (Sponsor) AND NANCE (Co-sponsor).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 50.343, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to compensation of county commissioners.

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

Section A. Section 50.343, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 50.343, to read as follows:

50.343. 1. Other provisions of law to the contrary notwithstanding, in any first classification nonchartered county, including any county containing any part of a city with a population of three hundred thousand or more, the annual salary of a county recorder of deeds, clerk, auditor, county commissioner, collector, treasurer, assessor or salaried public administrator may be computed on an assessed valuation basis, without regard to modification due to the existence of enterprise zones or financing under chapter 100, RSMo, as set forth in the following schedule except as provided in subsection 2 of this section. 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 a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid on January 1, 1997, for any of the offices subject to this section on January 1, 1997.

(1) For a recorder of deeds, clerk, auditor, presiding commissioner, collector, treasurer, assessor, or salaried public administrator:

Assessed Valuation	Salary
\$ 450,000,001 to 600,000,000	\$47,000
600,000,001 to 750,000,000	49,000
750,000,001 to 900,000,000	51,000
900,000,001 to 1,050,000,000	53,000

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.

18	1,050,000,001 to 1,200,000,000	55,000
19	1,200,000,001 to 1,350,000,000	57,000
20	1,350,000,000 and over	59,000

21 (2) Presiding commissioners shall receive a salary of two thousand dollars more than the
 22 salary received by the associate commissioners. **In the event that an associate commissioner's**
 23 **salary is increased and such increase results in the presiding commissioner's salary being**
 24 **less than two thousand dollars more than the associate commissioner's salary as required**
 25 **by this subdivision, in accordance with the prohibition on the increase of compensation of**
 26 **any officer during the term of office as provided in section 13, article VII, Constitution of**
 27 **Missouri, such presiding commissioner's salary shall not be increased to comply with this**
 28 **subdivision until such presiding commissioner's term has expired and a successor has been**
 29 **elected and qualified to take office.**

30 2. After December 31, 1990, in any county of the second classification which becomes
 31 a first classification county without a charter form of government, the annual compensation of
 32 county recorder of deeds, clerk, auditor, county commissioner, collector, treasurer, assessor and
 33 the public administrator in counties where the public administrator is paid a salary under the
 34 provisions of section 473.740, RSMo, may be set at the option of the salary commission. On or
 35 before October first of the year immediately prior to the beginning of the county fiscal year
 36 following the general election after the certification by the state equalizing agency that the county
 37 possesses an assessed valuation placing it in first classification status, the salary commission
 38 shall meet for the purpose of setting compensation for such county officials and such
 39 compensation shall be payable immediately except that no compensation of any county official
 40 shall be reduced and the compensation of presiding county commissioners in any of such
 41 counties shall be two thousand dollars more than the compensation paid to the associate
 42 commissioners in that county. Thereafter in all such counties the salary commission shall meet
 43 for the purpose of setting the compensation of the officers in this subsection who will be elected
 44 at the next general election, and such compensation shall be payable upon the beginning of the
 45 next term of office of such officers; except that, no compensation of any officer shall be reduced
 46 and the compensation of presiding county commissioners in any of such counties shall be two
 47 thousand dollars more than the compensation paid to the associate commissioners in that county.
 48 Two thousand dollars of the compensation established under the procedures authorized pursuant
 49 to this subsection shall be payable to a county officer only if the officer has completed at least
 50 twenty hours of classroom instruction in the operation of the office in the same manner as
 51 provided by law for officers subject to the provisions of section 50.333. At the salary
 52 commission meeting which establishes the percentage rate to be applied to county officers during
 53 the next term of office, the salary commission may authorize the further adjustment of such

54 officers' compensation as a cost-of-living component and effective January first of each year, the
55 compensation for county officers may be adjusted by the county commission, not to exceed the
56 percentage increase given to the other county employees.

57 3. Other provisions of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, at the option of a
58 majority of the county salary commission members, the salary of associate commissioners of a
59 county of the first classification without a charter form of government with a population of at
60 least eighty-two thousand but not more than eighty-five thousand inhabitants may be set at no
61 more than sixty-five percent of the amount on the salary schedule for the county affected.

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