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To: Fees, Salaries and  
Administration;  
Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2674

1 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN COUNTY OFFICIALS;  
 2 TO AMEND SECTIONS 25-3-3 AND 25-3-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
 3 INCREASE THE SALARIES OF COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS AND TAX ASSESSORS;  
 4 TO AMEND SECTION 25-3-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE  
 5 SALARIES OF THE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES;  
 6 TO AMEND SECTION 25-3-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE  
 7 THE SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS; TO AMEND  
 8 SECTION 25-3-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE  
 9 SALARIES OF SHERIFFS; TO AMEND SECTION 25-3-36, MISSISSIPPI CODE  
 10 OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF JUSTICE COURT JUDGES; TO  
 11 AMEND SECTION 9-9-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE  
 12 SALARIES OF CERTAIN COUNTY COURT JUDGES; TO AMEND SECTION  
 13 41-61-59, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE SALARY  
 14 ALLOWABLE TO CHIEF COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND CHIEF COUNTY  
 15 MEDICAL EXAMINER INVESTIGATORS; TO AMEND SECTION 9-13-19,  
 16 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF COURT  
 17 REPORTERS; TO AMEND SECTION 19-25-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
 18 INCREASE THE DAILY COMPENSATION AUTHORIZED FOR RIDING BAILIFFS; TO  
 19 AMEND SECTION 23-15-225, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE  
 20 SALARIES OF COUNTY REGISTRARS; TO BRING FORWARD SECTIONS 5-1-41,  
 21 5-1-43, 5-1-45, 5-1-47, 25-3-31, 25-3-33, 25-3-35 AND 25-31-10,  
 22 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, FOR PURPOSES OF AMENDMENT; AND FOR  
 23 RELATED PURPOSES.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

25 SECTION 1. Section 25-3-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
26 amended as follows:

27 25-3-3. The term "total assessed valuation" as used in this  
 28 section only refers to the ad valorem assessment for the county  
 29 and, in addition, in counties where oil or gas is produced, the  
 30 actual value of oil at the point of production, as certified to  
 31 the counties by the State Tax Commission under the provisions of  
 32 Sections 27-25-501 through 27-25-525, and the actual value of gas  
 33 as certified by the State Tax Commission under the provisions of  
 34 Sections 27-25-701 through 27-25-723.

35           The salary of assessors of the various counties is \* \* \*  
36 fixed as full compensation for their services as county assessors  
37 and tax collectors. The annual salary of each assessor shall be  
38 based upon the total assessed valuation of his respective county  
39 for the preceding taxable year in the following categories and for  
40 the following amounts:

41           (a) For counties with a total assessed valuation of Two  
42 Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$250,000,000.00) or more, a salary  
43 of Fifty-one Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-five Dollars  
44 (\$51,895.00);

45           (b) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
46 at least Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00) but less  
47 than Two Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$250,000,000.00), a salary  
48 of Fifty Thousand Forty-four Dollars (\$50,044.00);

49           (c) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
50 at least Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000.00) but less  
51 than Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00), a salary of  
52 Forty-six Thousand Six Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$46,611.00);

53           (d) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
54 at least Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) but less than  
55 Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000.00), a salary of  
56 Forty-three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$43,120.00);

57           (e) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
58 at least Twelve Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars  
59 (\$12,500,000.00) but less than Twenty Million Dollars  
60 (\$20,000,000.00), a salary of Thirty-nine Thousand Six Hundred  
61 Twenty-eight Dollars (\$39,628.00);

62           (f) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
63 less than Twelve Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars  
64 (\$12,500,000.00), a salary of Thirty-six Thousand One Hundred  
65 Thirty-seven Dollars (\$36,137.00).

66           The annual salary established for the assessor-tax collector  
67 shall not be reduced as a result of a reduction in total assessed

68 valuation. The salaries may be increased as a result of an  
69 increase in total assessed valuation.

70 In addition to all other compensation paid to assessor-tax  
71 collectors in counties having two (2) judicial districts, the  
72 board of supervisors shall allow that \* \* \* assessor-tax collector  
73 be paid an additional Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
74 (\$3,500.00) per year. In addition to all other compensation paid  
75 to assessors or tax collectors, in counties maintaining two (2)  
76 full-time offices, the board of supervisors may allow that \* \* \*  
77 assessor or tax collector be paid an additional Three Thousand  
78 Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) per year.

79 In addition to all other compensation paid to assessor-tax  
80 collectors, the board of supervisors of a county shall allow for  
81 such assessor-tax collector to be paid additional compensation  
82 when there is a contract between the county and one or more  
83 municipalities providing that the assessor-tax collector shall  
84 assess and/or collect taxes for the municipality or  
85 municipalities; and such assessor-tax collector shall be  
86 authorized to receive such additional compensation from the county  
87 and/or the municipality or municipalities in any amount allowed by  
88 the county and the municipality or municipalities for performing  
89 those services.

90 When any tax assessor holds a valid certificate of  
91 educational recognition from the International Association of  
92 Assessing Officers or is a licensed appraiser under Section  
93 73-34-1 et seq., he shall receive an additional One Thousand Five  
94 Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) annually beginning the next fiscal  
95 year after completion. When any tax assessor is a licensed state  
96 certified Residential Appraiser (RA) or licensed state certified  
97 Timberland Appraiser (TA) under Section 73-34-1 et seq., or when  
98 any tax assessor holds a valid designation from the International  
99 Association of Assessing Officers as a Cadastral Mapping  
100 Specialist (CMS) or Personal Property Specialist (PPS) or

101 Residential Evaluation Specialist (RES), he shall receive an  
102 additional Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00) annually  
103 beginning the next fiscal year after completion. When any tax  
104 assessor holds the valid designation of Certified Assessment  
105 Evaluator (CAE) from the International Association of Assessing  
106 Officers or is a state certified General Real Estate Appraiser  
107 (GA) under Section 73-34-1 et seq., he shall receive an additional  
108 Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) annually beginning  
109 the next fiscal year after completion.

110 The salaries \* \* \* set out in this section shall be the total  
111 funds paid to the county assessors and tax collectors and shall be  
112 full compensation for their services, with any fees being paid to  
113 the county general fund.

114 The salaries \* \* \* provided in this section shall be payable  
115 monthly on the first day of each calendar month by chancery  
116 clerk's warrant drawn on the general fund of the county; however,  
117 the board of supervisors, by resolution duly adopted and entered  
118 on its minutes, may provide that such salaries shall be paid  
119 semimonthly on the first and fifteenth day of each month. If a  
120 pay date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, salary payments  
121 shall be made on the workday immediately preceding the weekend or  
122 legal holiday.

123 The salary scale in this section shall not apply in any  
124 county in which the office of assessor has been separated from  
125 that of tax collector. In the event of such separation, the  
126 salary scale set forth in Section 25-3-5 shall control.

127 SECTION 2. Section 25-3-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
128 amended as follows:

129 25-3-5. In any county where the office of tax collector has  
130 been separated from the office of tax assessor, the annual salary  
131 of the assessor or tax collector shall be based upon the assessed  
132 valuation of his respective county for the preceding taxable year  
133 in the following categories and for the following amounts:

134 (a) For counties with a total assessed valuation of Two  
135 Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$250,000,000.00) or more, a salary  
136 of Fifty-seven Thousand Eighty-five Dollars (\$57,085.00);

137 (b) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
138 at least Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00) but less  
139 than Two Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$250,000,000.00), a salary  
140 of Fifty-three Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-four Dollars  
141 (\$53,594.00);

142 (c) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
143 at least One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$150,000,000.00) but  
144 less than Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00), a salary  
145 of Fifty Thousand One Hundred Three Dollars (\$50,103.00);

146 (d) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
147 at least One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) but less  
148 than One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$150,000,000.00), a salary  
149 of Forty-six Thousand Six Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$46,611.00);

150 (e) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
151 at least Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00) but less  
152 than One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00), a salary of  
153 Forty-three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$43,120.00);

154 (f) For counties with a total assessed valuation of  
155 less than Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00), a salary  
156 of Thirty-nine Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-eight Dollars  
157 (\$39,628.00).

158 The annual salary established for the tax assessor or tax  
159 collector shall not be reduced as a result of a reduction in total  
160 assessed valuation. The salaries may be increased as a result of  
161 an increase in total assessed valuation.

162 In addition to all other compensation paid to assessors or  
163 tax collectors, in counties having two (2) judicial districts, the  
164 board of supervisors shall allow that \* \* \* assessor or tax  
165 collector be paid an additional Three Thousand Five Hundred  
166 Dollars (\$3,500.00) per year. In addition to all other

167 compensation paid to assessors or tax collectors, in counties  
168 maintaining two (2) full-time offices, the board of supervisors  
169 may allow that \* \* \* assessor or tax collector be paid an  
170 additional Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) per  
171 year.

172 In addition to all other compensation paid to tax assessors  
173 and tax collectors, the board of supervisors of a county shall  
174 allow for such tax assessor and/or tax collector to be paid  
175 additional compensation when there is a contract between the  
176 county and one or more municipalities providing that the tax  
177 assessor shall assess taxes and/or tax collector shall collect  
178 taxes for the municipality or municipalities; and such tax  
179 assessor and/or tax collector shall be authorized to receive such  
180 additional compensation from the county and/or the municipality or  
181 municipalities in any amount allowed by the county and the  
182 municipality or municipalities for performing those services.  
183 When any tax assessor holds a valid certificate of educational  
184 recognition from the International Association of Assessing  
185 Officers or is a licensed appraiser under Section 73-34-1 et seq.,  
186 he shall receive an additional One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
187 (\$1,500.00) annually beginning the next fiscal year after  
188 completion. When any tax assessor is a licensed state certified  
189 Residential Appraiser (RA) or licensed state certified Timberland  
190 Appraiser (TA) under Section 73-34-1 et seq., or when any tax  
191 assessor holds a valid designation from the International  
192 Association of Assessing Officers as a Cadastral Mapping  
193 Specialist (CMS) or Personal Property Specialist (PPS) or  
194 Residential Evaluation Specialist (RES), he shall receive an  
195 additional Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$6,500.00) annually  
196 beginning the next fiscal year after completion. When any tax  
197 assessor holds the valid designation of Certified Assessment  
198 Evaluator (CAE) from the International Association of Assessing  
199 Officers or is a state certified General Real Estate Appraiser

200 (GA) under Section 73-34-1 et seq., he shall receive an additional  
201 Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) annually beginning  
202 the next fiscal year after completion.

203 The salaries \* \* \* set out in this section shall be the total  
204 funds paid to the county assessors or tax collectors and shall be  
205 full compensation for their services, with any fees being paid to  
206 the county general fund.

207 The salaries \* \* \* provided in this section shall be payable  
208 monthly on the first day of each calendar month by chancery  
209 clerk's warrant drawn on the general fund of the county; however,  
210 the board of supervisors, by resolution duly adopted and entered  
211 on its minutes, may provide that such salaries shall be paid  
212 semimonthly on the first and fifteenth day of each month. If a  
213 pay date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, salary payments  
214 shall be made on the workday immediately preceding the weekend or  
215 legal holiday.

216 SECTION 3. Section 25-3-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
217 amended as follows:

218 25-3-9. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3)  
219 of this section, the county prosecuting attorney may receive for  
220 his services an annual salary to be paid by the board of  
221 supervisors as follows:

222 (a) For counties with a total population of more than  
223 two hundred thousand (200,000), a salary not to exceed Thirty-two  
224 Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$32,775.00).

225 (b) For counties with a total population of more than  
226 one hundred thousand (100,000) and not more than two hundred  
227 thousand (200,000), a salary not to exceed Thirty Thousand Four  
228 Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$30,475.00).

229 (c) For counties with a total population of more than  
230 fifty thousand (50,000) and not more than one hundred thousand  
231 (100,000), a salary not to exceed Twenty-four Thousand Nine  
232 Hundred Fifty-five Dollars (\$24,955.00).

233 (d) For counties with a total population of more than  
234 thirty-five thousand (35,000) and not more than fifty thousand  
235 (50,000), a salary not to exceed Twenty-three Thousand Four  
236 Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$23,460.00).

237 (e) For counties with a total population of more than  
238 twenty-five thousand (25,000) and not more than thirty-five  
239 thousand (35,000), a salary not to exceed Twenty-two Thousand One  
240 Hundred Ninety-five Dollars (\$22,195.00).

241 (f) For counties with a total population of more than  
242 fifteen thousand (15,000) and not more than twenty-five thousand  
243 (25,000), a salary not to exceed Twenty Thousand Three Hundred  
244 Fifty-five Dollars (\$20,355.00).

245 (g) For counties with a total population of more than  
246 ten thousand (10,000) and not more than fifteen thousand (15,000),  
247 a salary not to exceed Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Fifteen  
248 Dollars (\$18,515.00).

249 (h) For counties with a total population of more than  
250 six thousand (6,000) and not more than ten thousand (10,000), a  
251 salary not to exceed Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-five  
252 Dollars (\$16,675.00).

253 (i) For counties with a total population of six  
254 thousand (6,000) or less, the board of supervisors, in its  
255 discretion, may appoint a county prosecuting attorney, and it may  
256 pay such county prosecuting attorney an annual salary not to  
257 exceed Fourteen Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-five Dollars  
258 (\$14,835.00).

259 In all cases of conviction there shall be taxed against the  
260 convicted defendant, as an item of cost, the sum of Three Dollars  
261 (\$3.00), which shall be turned in to the county treasury as a part  
262 of the general county funds; however, the Three Dollars (\$3.00)  
263 shall not be taxed in any case in which it is not the specific  
264 duty of the county attorney to appear and prosecute.

265           \* \* \* In addition to the salaries provided for in this  
266 subsection, the board of supervisors of any county, in its  
267 discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an additional  
268 amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the maximum allowable  
269 salary prescribed in this subsection.

270           (2) In the following counties, the county prosecuting  
271 attorney shall receive for his services an annual salary to be  
272 paid by the board of supervisors, as follows:

273           (a) In any county bordering upon the Mississippi River  
274 and having a population of not less than thirty thousand (30,000)  
275 and not more than thirty-five thousand five hundred (35,500)  
276 according to the federal census of 1990, and in counties having a  
277 population of not more than thirty-seven thousand (37,000)  
278 according to the federal census of 1990 in which Interstate  
279 Highway 55 and U.S. Highway 98 intersect, the county prosecuting  
280 attorney shall receive a salary equal to the justice court judge  
281 of such county; and in any county wherein is located the state's  
282 oldest state-supported institution of higher learning and wherein  
283 Mississippi State Highways 7 and 6 intersect, the county  
284 prosecuting attorney shall receive an annual salary equal to that  
285 of a member of the board of supervisors of such county.

286           (b) In counties having a population in excess of fifty  
287 thousand (50,000) in the 1960 federal census, wherein is located a  
288 state-supported university and in which U.S. Highways 49 and 11  
289 intersect, the salary of the county prosecuting attorney shall be  
290 not less than Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$17,400.00)  
291 per year. The Board of Supervisors of Forrest County,  
292 Mississippi, may, in its discretion, and by agreement with the  
293 county prosecuting attorney, employ the county prosecuting  
294 attorney as a full-time elected official during his/her term of  
295 office, designate additional duties and responsibilities of the  
296 office and pay additional compensation up to, but not in excess  
297 of, ninety percent (90%) of the annual compensation and salary of

298 the county court judge and the youth court judge of Forrest County  
299 as authorized by law and provide a reasonable office and  
300 reasonable office expenses to the county prosecuting attorney.  
301 The salary authorized by this paragraph (b) for the county  
302 prosecuting attorney shall be the sole and complete salary for  
303 such prosecuting attorney in each county to which this paragraph  
304 applies, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
305 contrary.

306 (c) In any county wherein is housed the seat of state  
307 government, wherein U.S. Highways 80 and 49 intersect, and having  
308 two (2) judicial districts, the board of supervisors, in its  
309 discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
310 salary equal to the annual salary of members of the board of  
311 supervisors in the county.

312 (d) In any county which has two (2) judicial districts  
313 and wherein Highway 8 and Highway 15 intersect, having a  
314 population of greater than seventeen thousand (17,000), according  
315 to the 1980 federal decennial census, the board of supervisors  
316 shall pay the county prosecuting attorney a salary equal to that  
317 of a member of the board of supervisors of such county; provided  
318 that if such county prosecuting attorney is paid a sum for the  
319 purpose of defraying office or secretarial expenses, then the  
320 salary prescribed herein shall be reduced by that amount.

321 (e) In any county bordering the State of Tennessee and  
322 in which Mississippi Highways No. 4 and 15 intersect, and having a  
323 population of less than twenty thousand (20,000) in the 1970  
324 federal census, the salary of the county prosecuting attorney  
325 shall be no less than Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00).

326 (f) In any county having a population of more than  
327 twenty-five thousand (25,000) and in which U.S. Highways 72 and 45  
328 intersect, the salary of the county attorney shall be paid not  
329 less than Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00).

330 In addition, such county prosecuting attorney shall receive  
331 the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per month  
332 for the purpose of defraying secretarial expense.

333 (g) In any county wherein I-20 and State Highway 15  
334 intersect; and in any county wherein I-20 and State Highway 35  
335 intersect, the salary of the county prosecuting attorney shall be  
336 not less than Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$8,400.00).

337 (h) In any Class 1 county bordering on the Mississippi  
338 River, lying in whole or in part within a levee district, wherein  
339 U.S. Highways 82 and 61 intersect, bounded by the Sunflower River  
340 and Stales Bayou, the board of supervisors, in its discretion, may  
341 pay an annual salary equal to the annual salary of members of the  
342 board of supervisors in the county. In addition, such county  
343 prosecuting attorney shall receive the sum of One Thousand Dollars  
344 (\$1,000.00) per month for the purpose of defraying secretarial  
345 expenses.

346 (i) In any county bordering on the Gulf of Mexico  
347 having two (2) judicial districts, and wherein U.S. Highways 90  
348 and 49 intersect, the salary of the county prosecuting attorney  
349 shall be not less than Nineteen Thousand Dollars (\$19,000.00) per  
350 year. The Board of Supervisors of Harrison County, Mississippi,  
351 may, in its discretion, and by agreement with the county  
352 prosecuting attorney, employ the county prosecuting attorney and  
353 his/her assistant during his/her term of office, and designate  
354 additional duties and responsibilities of the office and pay  
355 additional compensation up to, but not in excess of, ninety  
356 percent (90%) of the annual compensation and salary of the county  
357 court judges of Harrison County as authorized by law and provide  
358 adequate office space and reasonable office expenses to the county  
359 prosecuting attorney and his/her assistant. The salary authorized  
360 by this paragraph (i) for the county prosecuting attorney and  
361 his/her assistant shall be the sole and complete salary paid by  
362 the county for such prosecuting attorney and his/her assistant in

363 each county to which this paragraph applies, notwithstanding any  
364 other provision of law to the contrary.

365 (j) In any county bordering on the State of Alabama,  
366 having a population in excess of seventy-five thousand (75,000)  
367 according to the 1980 decennial census in which is located an  
368 institution of higher learning and a United States military  
369 installation and which is traversed by an interstate highway, the  
370 salary of the county prosecuting attorney shall not be less than  
371 Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) nor more than the amount of  
372 the annual salary received by a member of the board of supervisors  
373 of that county.

374 (k) In any county with a land area wherein Mississippi  
375 Highways 8 and 9 intersect, the salary of the county prosecuting  
376 attorney shall be not less than Eight Thousand Five Hundred  
377 Dollars (\$8,500.00) per year.

378 (l) In any Class 2 county wherein Mississippi Highways  
379 6 and 3 intersect, the salary of the county prosecuting attorney  
380 shall be not less than Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) per  
381 year nor more than the amount of the annual salary received by a  
382 member of the board of supervisors of that county.

383 (m) In any county wherein Interstate Highway 55 and  
384 State Highway 8 intersect, the salary of the county prosecuting  
385 attorney shall be not less than Twelve Thousand Dollars  
386 (\$12,000.00) per year.

387 (n) In any county wherein U.S. Highway 51 intersects  
388 Mississippi Highway 6, and having two (2) judicial districts, the  
389 salary of the county prosecuting attorney shall be not less than  
390 Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$3,600.00) per year.

391 (o) In any county bordering on the Alabama state line,  
392 having a population of greater than fifteen thousand (15,000)  
393 according to the 1970 federal decennial census, wherein U.S.  
394 Highway 45 and Mississippi Highway 18 intersect, the salary of the  
395 county prosecuting attorney shall be not less than Three Thousand

396 Six Hundred Dollars (\$3,600.00) nor greater than that of a member  
397 of the board of supervisors of such county. All prior acts,  
398 orders and resolutions of the board of supervisors of such county  
399 which authorized the payment of the salary in conformity with the  
400 provisions of this paragraph, whether or not heretofore  
401 specifically authorized by law are hereby ratified, approved and  
402 confirmed.

403 (p) In any county wherein is located a state-supported  
404 institution of higher learning and wherein U.S. Highway 82 and  
405 Mississippi Highway 389 intersect, the board of supervisors, in  
406 its discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
407 salary equal to the annual salary of members of the board of  
408 supervisors in the county.

409 (q) In any county having two (2) judicial districts  
410 wherein Mississippi Highway 32 intersects U.S. Highway 49E, the  
411 salary of the county prosecuting attorney shall be not less than  
412 Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$12,700.00).

413 (r) In any county traversed by the Natchez Trace  
414 Parkway wherein U.S. Highway 45 and Mississippi Highway 4  
415 intersect, the board of supervisors, in its discretion, may pay  
416 the county prosecuting attorney an annual salary equal to the  
417 annual salary of justice court judges in the county.

418 (s) In any county having a population of more than  
419 fourteen thousand (14,000) according to the 1970 census and which  
420 county is bordered on the north by the State of Tennessee and on  
421 the east by the State of Alabama and in which U.S. Highway No. 72  
422 and Highway No. 25 intersect, the board of supervisors, in its  
423 discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
424 salary equal to the annual salary of justice court judges in the  
425 county.

426 (t) (i) In any county wherein Interstate Highway 55  
427 and State Highway 22 intersect, and which is also traversed in  
428 whole or part by U.S. Highways 49 and 51, and State Highways 16,

429 17, 43 and the Natchez Trace Parkway, and also containing a part  
430 of a public lake or reservoir, in excess of thirty thousand  
431 (30,000) acres, the board of supervisors, in its discretion, may  
432 pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual salary in the amount  
433 of Twenty-eight Thousand Dollars (\$28,000.00).

434 (ii) From and after October 1, 1993, in addition  
435 to the salary provided for subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the  
436 board of supervisors, in its discretion, may pay the county  
437 prosecuting attorney an additional amount not to exceed ten  
438 percent (10%) of the maximum allowable salary prescribed herein.

439 (u) In any county having a population in the 1970  
440 census in excess of thirty-five thousand (35,000) and in which  
441 U.S. Highways 49W and 82 intersect, and in which is located a  
442 state penitentiary, the annual salary of a county prosecuting  
443 attorney shall be Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Dollars  
444 (\$30,420.00).

445 (v) In any county wherein Mississippi Highway 50  
446 intersects U.S. Highway 45-Alternate, and having a population  
447 greater than twenty thousand (20,000) according to the 1980  
448 federal decennial census, a salary equal to that of a member of  
449 the board of supervisors of such county; provided that if such  
450 county prosecuting attorney is paid a sum for the purpose of  
451 defraying office or secretarial expenses, then the salary  
452 prescribed herein shall be reduced by that amount.

453 (w) In any county in which the 1975 assessed valuation  
454 was Forty Million Seven Hundred Thirty-nine Thousand Four Hundred  
455 Sixty-six Dollars (\$40,739,466.00) and wherein U.S. Highway 45 and  
456 Mississippi Highway 8 intersect, the salary of the county  
457 prosecuting attorney shall be equal to that of a member of the  
458 board of supervisors of such county.

459 (x) In any county bordering on the Mississippi River  
460 having a population greater than fifty thousand (50,000) according  
461 to the 1980 federal decennial census and also having a national

462 military park and national cemetery, an annual salary of  
463 Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) or a salary equal to  
464 that of a member of the board of supervisors in such county,  
465 whichever is greater. In addition, such county prosecuting  
466 attorney shall receive the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)  
467 per month for the purpose of defraying secretarial expenses.

468 (y) In any county bordering on the Alabama state line,  
469 traversed by the Chickasawhay River, and wherein U.S. Highway 45  
470 and U.S. Highway 84 intersect, a salary that shall be equal to the  
471 annual salary of a member of the board of supervisors of such  
472 county. All prior acts, orders and resolutions of the board of  
473 supervisors of such county which authorize the payment of the  
474 salary of the county prosecuting attorney in conformity with the  
475 provisions of this section as it existed immediately prior to the  
476 effective date of Chapter 506, Laws of 1985, are hereby ratified,  
477 approved, confirmed and validated.

478 (z) In any county having a population greater than  
479 sixty-five thousand five hundred eighty (65,580) but less than  
480 sixty-five thousand five hundred ninety (65,590) according to the  
481 1990 federal decennial census, wherein U.S. Highway 45 intersects  
482 with Mississippi Highway 6, an annual salary equal to Thirty  
483 Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00).

484 (aa) In any county where an institution of higher  
485 learning is located and wherein U.S. Highway 82 and U.S. Highway  
486 45 intersect, the salary of county prosecuting attorney shall be  
487 not less than that of a member of the board of supervisors in such  
488 county, and the board of supervisors may, in its discretion, pay  
489 such county prosecuting attorney a salary in an amount not to  
490 exceed the amount of the salary of the District Attorney for the  
491 Sixteenth Judicial District of Mississippi.

492 (bb) In any county having a population greater than six  
493 thousand (6,000) according to the federal decennial census and  
494 wherein U.S. Highway 61 and Highway 24 intersect, the board of

495 supervisors, in its discretion, may pay the county prosecuting  
496 attorney an annual salary equal to the annual salary of members of  
497 the board of supervisors in the county.

498 (cc) In any county having a population greater than  
499 thirty-one thousand (31,000) according to the 1990 federal  
500 decennial census and wherein U.S. Highway 61 and U.S. Highway 49  
501 intersect, a salary of not less than the annual salary of justice  
502 court judges in the county.

503 (dd) In any county having a population greater than  
504 eighty-seven thousand (87,000) but less than eighty-seven thousand  
505 two hundred (87,200) according to the 1990 federal census, in  
506 which is located an international airport, an annual salary of  
507 Twenty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$29,000.00). In addition, such  
508 county prosecuting attorney shall receive the sum of One Thousand  
509 Dollars (\$1,000.00) per month for the purpose of defraying  
510 secretarial expenses.

511 (ee) In any county having a population greater than  
512 eight thousand (8,000) but less than eight thousand two hundred  
513 (8,200) according to the 1990 federal census, and in which U.S.  
514 Highway 61 and Mississippi Highway 4 intersect, the board of  
515 supervisors may, in its discretion, pay the county prosecuting  
516 attorney an amount not to exceed Fourteen Thousand Dollars  
517 (\$14,000.00), in addition to the maximum allowable salary for that  
518 attorney under subsection (1), beginning on April 1, 1997.

519 (ff) In any county having a population greater than  
520 thirty thousand three hundred (30,300) but less than thirty  
521 thousand four hundred (30,400) according to the 1990 federal  
522 census, and in which U.S. Highway 78 and Mississippi Highway 7  
523 intersect, a salary of not less than the annual salary of a member  
524 of the board of supervisors in such county.

525 (gg) In any county having a population greater than  
526 thirteen thousand three hundred (13,300) but less than thirteen  
527 thousand four hundred (13,400) according to the 1990 federal

528 census, and in which Mississippi Highway 24 and Mississippi  
529 Highway 48 intersect, the board of supervisors may, in its  
530 discretion, pay the county prosecuting attorney an additional  
531 amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the maximum allowable  
532 salary for that attorney under subsection (1).

533 (hh) In any county having a population greater than  
534 eight thousand three hundred (8,300) but less than eight thousand  
535 four hundred (8,400) according to the 1990 federal census, and in  
536 which U.S. Highway 84 and U.S. Highway 98 intersect, the board of  
537 supervisors may, in its discretion, pay the county prosecuting  
538 attorney an additional amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of  
539 the maximum allowable salary for that attorney under subsection  
540 (1).

541 (ii) After September 30, 1993, in any county having a  
542 population of more than thirty thousand four hundred (30,400) and  
543 which is traversed in whole or part by I-59, U.S. Highways 98 and  
544 11 and State Highway 13, the annual salary of the county  
545 prosecuting attorney shall be Twenty-five Thousand Dollars  
546 (\$25,000.00). In addition, such county prosecuting attorney shall  
547 receive after September 30, 1993, the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty  
548 Dollars (\$750.00) per month for the purpose of defraying office or  
549 secretarial expenses.

550 (jj) In any county having a population greater than  
551 twenty thousand (20,000) according to the 1990 federal census and  
552 wherein U.S. Highway 78 and Mississippi Highway 25 intersect, the  
553 board of supervisors, in its discretion, may pay the county  
554 prosecuting attorney an annual salary equal to the annual salary  
555 of justice court judges in the county.

556 (kk) In any county having a population greater than  
557 twelve thousand four hundred (12,400) but less than twelve  
558 thousand five hundred (12,500) according to the 1990 federal  
559 census, and in which U.S. Highway 84 and Mississippi Highway 27  
560 intersect, the board of supervisors may, in its discretion, pay

561 the county prosecuting attorney an additional amount not to exceed  
562 ten percent (10%) of the maximum allowable salary for that  
563 attorney under subsection (1).

564 (ll) In any county having a population greater than  
565 thirty thousand two hundred (30,200) but less than thirty thousand  
566 three hundred (30,300) according to the 1990 federal census, and  
567 in which U.S. Interstate 55 and Mississippi Highway 84 intersect,  
568 the board of supervisors may, in its discretion, pay the county  
569 prosecuting attorney an additional amount not to exceed ten  
570 percent (10%) of the maximum allowable salary for that attorney  
571 under subsection (1).

572 (mm) In any county on the Mississippi River levee,  
573 having a population greater than forty-one thousand eight hundred  
574 (41,800) but less than forty-one thousand nine hundred (41,900)  
575 according to the 1990 federal census wherein U.S. Highway 61 and  
576 Mississippi Highway 8 intersect, the board of supervisors, in its  
577 discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
578 salary equal to the annual salary of members of the board of  
579 supervisors in the county. In addition, the board of supervisors,  
580 in its discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney the sum  
581 of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per month for the purpose of  
582 defraying secretarial expenses.

583 (nn) In any county having a population greater than  
584 twenty-four thousand seven hundred (24,700) and less than  
585 twenty-four thousand nine hundred (24,900) according to the 1990  
586 federal census, wherein Mississippi Highways 15 and 16 intersect,  
587 the board of supervisors, in its discretion, may pay the county  
588 prosecuting attorney an annual salary equal to the annual salary  
589 of members of the board of supervisors in the county.

590 (oo) In any county having a population greater than  
591 thirty-seven thousand (37,000) but less than thirty-eight thousand  
592 (38,000) according to the 1990 federal census, in which is located  
593 a state supported institution of higher learning, and in which

594 U.S. Highway 82 and Mississippi Highway 7 intersect, the board of  
595 supervisors may, in its discretion, pay the county prosecuting  
596 attorney a salary in an amount not to exceed the amount of the  
597 salary of the District Attorney for the Fourth Judicial District  
598 of Mississippi.

599           (pp) In any county in which U.S. Highway 78 and  
600 Mississippi Highway 15 intersect and which is traversed by the  
601 Tallahatchie River, a salary equal to that of members of the board  
602 of supervisors of the county, which salary shall be in addition to  
603 any sums received for the purpose of defraying office or  
604 secretarial expenses and sums received as youth court prosecutor  
605 fees.

606           (qq) In any county bordering on the State of Tennessee  
607 and the State of Arkansas, wherein Interstate Highway 55 and  
608 Mississippi Highway 302 intersect, the board of supervisors, in  
609 its discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
610 salary equal to the annual salary of justice court judges in the  
611 county.

612           (rr) In any county that is traversed by the Natchez  
613 Trace Parkway and in which Mississippi Highway 35 and Mississippi  
614 Highway 12 intersect, the board of supervisors, in its discretion,  
615 may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual salary in the  
616 amount of the annual salary of justice court judges in the county.

617           (ss) In any county in which Mississippi Highway 14 and  
618 Mississippi Highway 25 intersect, the board of supervisors, in its  
619 discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
620 salary in the amount of Twenty-two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000.00).

621           (tt) In any county in which Interstate Highway 59 and  
622 U.S. Highway 84 intersect, the board of supervisors, in its  
623 discretion, may pay the county prosecuting attorney an annual  
624 salary equal to the annual salary of members of the board of  
625 supervisors in the county.

626           (3) In any case where a salary, expense allowance or other  
627 sum is authorized or paid by the board of supervisors pursuant to  
628 this section, that salary, expense allowance or other sum shall  
629 not be reduced or terminated during the term for which the county  
630 attorney was elected.

631           SECTION 4. Section 25-3-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
632 amended as follows:

633           25-3-13. The salaries of the members of the boards of  
634 supervisors of the various counties are \* \* \* fixed as full  
635 compensation for their services.

636           The annual salary of each member of the board of supervisors  
637 shall be based upon the total assessed valuation of his respective  
638 county for the preceding taxable year in the following categories  
639 and for the following amounts:

640           (a) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
641 less than Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00), a salary of  
642 Twenty-seven Thousand Fifty-nine Dollars (\$27,059.00);

643           (b) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
644 at least Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00), but less than  
645 Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00), a salary of  
646 Twenty-seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-eight Dollars  
647 (\$27,758.00);

648           (c) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
649 at least Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00), but less  
650 than Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000.00), a salary of  
651 Twenty-eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-six Dollars (\$28,456.00);

652           (d) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
653 at least Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000.00), but less  
654 than Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00), a salary of Thirty  
655 Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$30,900.00);

656           (e) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
657 at least Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00), but less than

658 Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00), a salary of  
659 Thirty-two Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-six Dollars (\$32,296.00);

660 (f) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
661 at least Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00), but less  
662 than One Hundred Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$125,000,000.00), a  
663 salary of Thirty-three Thousand Three Hundred Forty-four Dollars  
664 (\$33,344.00);

665 (g) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
666 One Hundred Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$125,000,000.00), but  
667 less than Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00), a  
668 salary of Thirty-eight Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-one Dollars  
669 (\$38,581.00);

670 (h) For counties having a total assessed valuation of  
671 Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) or more, a salary  
672 of Forty-two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-five Dollars  
673 (\$42,945.00).

674 The salary of the members of the board of supervisors shall  
675 not be increased under this section until the board of supervisors  
676 shall have passed a resolution stating the amount of the increase  
677 and spread it on its minutes.

678 SECTION 5. Section 25-3-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
679 amended as follows:

680 25-3-25. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsections  
681 (2) through (9), the salaries of sheriffs of the various counties  
682 are \* \* \* fixed as full compensation for their services.

683 From and after October 1, 1998, the annual salary for each  
684 sheriff shall be based upon the total population of his county  
685 according to the latest federal decennial census in the following  
686 categories and for the following amounts; however, no sheriff  
687 shall be paid less than the salary authorized under this section  
688 to be paid the sheriff based upon the population of the county  
689 according to the 1980 federal decennial census:

690 (a) For counties with a total population of more than  
691 two hundred thousand (200,000), a salary of Eighty-six Thousand  
692 Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$86,250.00).

693 (b) For counties with a total population of more than  
694 one hundred thousand (100,000) and not more than two hundred  
695 thousand (200,000), a salary of Eighty Thousand Five Hundred  
696 Dollars (\$80,500.00).

697 (c) For counties with a total population of more than  
698 forty-five thousand (45,000) and not more than one hundred  
699 thousand (100,000), a salary of Seventy-four Thousand Seven  
700 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$74,750.00).

701 (d) For counties with a total population of more than  
702 thirty-four thousand (34,000) and not more than forty-five  
703 thousand (45,000), a salary of Sixty-nine Thousand Dollars  
704 (\$69,000.00).

705 (e) For counties with a total population of more than  
706 twenty-five thousand (25,000) and not more than thirty-four  
707 thousand (34,000), a salary of Fifty-nine Thousand Eight Hundred  
708 Dollars (\$59,800.00).

709 (f) For counties with a total population of more than  
710 fifteen thousand (15,000) and not more than twenty-five thousand  
711 (25,000), a salary of Fifty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
712 (\$57,500.00).

713 (g) For counties with a total population of more than  
714 nine thousand five hundred (9,500) and not more than fifteen  
715 thousand (15,000), a salary of Fifty-four Thousand Fifty Dollars  
716 (\$54,050.00).

717 (h) For counties with a total population of more than  
718 seven thousand five hundred (7,500) and not more than nine  
719 thousand five hundred (9,500), a salary of Fifty-one Thousand  
720 Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$51,750.00).

721           (i) For counties with a total population of not more  
722 than seven thousand five hundred (7,500), a salary of Forty-eight  
723 Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$48,300.00).

724           (2) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
725 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Leflore County \* \* \*,  
726 in its discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of  
727 the county in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars  
728 (\$10,000.00). The Legislature finds and declares that the annual  
729 supplement authorized by this subsection is justified in such  
730 county for the following reasons:

731           (a) The Mississippi Department of Corrections operates  
732 and maintains a restitution center within the county;

733           (b) The Mississippi Department of Corrections operates  
734 and maintains a community work center within the county;

735           (c) There is a resident circuit court judge in the  
736 county whose office is located at the Leflore County Courthouse;

737           (d) There is a resident chancery court judge in the  
738 county whose office is located at the Leflore County Courthouse;

739           (e) The Magistrate for the Fourth Circuit Court  
740 District is located in the county and maintains his office at the  
741 Leflore County Courthouse;

742           (f) The Region VI Mental Health-Mental Retardation  
743 Center, which serves a multicounty area, calls upon the sheriff to  
744 provide security for out-of-town mental patients, as well as  
745 patients from within the county;

746           (g) The increased activity of the Child Support  
747 Division of the Department of Human Services in enforcing in the  
748 courts parental obligations has imposed additional duties on the  
749 sheriff; and

750           (h) The dispatchers of the enhanced E-911 system in  
751 place in Leflore County has been placed under the direction and  
752 control of the sheriff.

753           (3) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
754 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Rankin County \* \* \*,  
755 in its discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of  
756 the county in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars  
757 (\$10,000.00). The Legislature finds and declares that the annual  
758 supplement authorized by this subsection is justified in such  
759 county for the following reasons:

760           (a) The Mississippi Department of Corrections operates  
761 and maintains the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility within  
762 the county;

763           (b) The State Hospital is operated and maintained  
764 within the county at Whitfield;

765           (c) Hudspeth Regional Center, a facility maintained for  
766 the care and treatment of the mentally retarded, is located within  
767 the county;

768           (d) The Mississippi Law Enforcement Officers Training  
769 Academy is operated and maintained within the county;

770           (e) The State Fire Academy is operated and maintained  
771 within the county;

772           (f) The Pearl River Valley Water Supply District,  
773 ordinarily known as the "Reservoir District," is located within  
774 the county;

775           (g) The Jackson International Airport is located within  
776 the county;

777           (h) The patrolling of the state properties located  
778 within the county has imposed additional duties on the sheriff;  
779 and

780           (i) The sheriff, in addition to providing security to  
781 the nearly one hundred thousand (100,000) residents of the county,  
782 has the duty to investigate, solve and assist in the prosecution  
783 of any misdemeanor or felony committed upon any state property  
784 located in Rankin County.

785           (4) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
786 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Neshoba County shall  
787 pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of the county an amount  
788 equal to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

789           (5) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
790 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Tunica County \* \* \*,  
791 in its discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of  
792 the county an amount equal to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00),  
793 payable beginning April 1, 1997.

794           (6) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
795 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Hinds County shall  
796 pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of the county in an amount  
797 equal to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The Legislature  
798 finds and declares that the annual supplement authorized by this  
799 subsection is justified in such county for the following reasons:

800                   (a) Hinds County has the greatest population of any  
801 county, two hundred fifty-four thousand four hundred forty-one  
802 (254,441) by the 1990 census, being almost one hundred thousand  
803 (100,000) more than the next most populous county;

804                   (b) Hinds County is home to the state capitol and the  
805 seat of all state government offices;

806                   (c) Hinds County is the third largest county in  
807 geographic area, containing eight hundred seventy-five (875)  
808 square miles;

809                   (d) Hinds County is comprised of two (2) judicial  
810 districts, each having a courthouse and county office buildings;

811                   (e) There are four (4) resident circuit judges, four  
812 (4) resident chancery judges, and three (3) resident county judges  
813 in Hinds County, the most of any county, with the sheriff acting  
814 as chief executive officer and provider of bailiff services for  
815 all;

816                   (f) The main offices for the clerk and most of the  
817 judges and magistrates for the United States District Court for

818 the Southern District of Mississippi are located within the  
819 county;

820 (g) The state's only urban university, Jackson State  
821 University, is located within the county;

822 (h) The University of Mississippi Medical Center,  
823 combining the medical school, dental school, nursing school and  
824 hospital, is located within the county;

825 (i) Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium, the state's  
826 largest sports arena, is located within the county;

827 (j) The Mississippi State Fairgrounds, including the  
828 Coliseum and Trade Mart, are located within the county;

829 (k) Hinds County has the largest criminal population in  
830 the state, such that the Hinds County Sheriff's Department  
831 operates the largest county jail system in the state, housing  
832 almost one thousand (1,000) inmates in three (3) separate  
833 detention facilities;

834 (l) The Hinds County Sheriff's Department handles more  
835 mental and drug and alcohol commitments cases than any other  
836 sheriff's department in the state;

837 (m) The Mississippi Department of Corrections maintains  
838 a restitution center within the county;

839 (n) The Mississippi Department of Corrections regularly  
840 houses as many as one hundred (100) state convicts within the  
841 Hinds County jail system; and

842 (o) The Hinds County Sheriff's Department is regularly  
843 asked to provide security services not only at the Fairgrounds and  
844 Memorial Stadium, but also for events at the Mississippi Museum of  
845 Art and Jackson City Auditorium.

846 (7) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
847 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Wilkinson County, in  
848 its discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of the  
849 county in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars  
850 (\$10,000.00). The Legislature finds and declares that the annual

851 supplement authorized by this subsection is justified in such  
852 county because the Mississippi Department of Corrections contracts  
853 for the private incarceration of state inmates at a private  
854 correctional facility within the county.

855 (8) In addition to the salary provided for in subsection (1)  
856 of this section, the Board of Supervisors of Marshall County, in  
857 its discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of the  
858 county in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars  
859 (\$10,000.00). The Legislature finds and declares that the annual  
860 supplement authorized by this subsection is justified in such  
861 county because the Mississippi Department of Corrections contracts  
862 for the private incarceration of state inmates at a private  
863 correctional facility within the county.

864 (9) In addition to the salary provided in subsection (1) of  
865 this section, the Board of Supervisors of Greene County, in its  
866 discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of the  
867 county in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars  
868 (\$10,000.00). The Legislature finds and declares that the annual  
869 supplement authorized by this subsection is justified in such  
870 county for the following reasons:

871 (a) The Mississippi Department of Corrections operates  
872 and maintains the South Mississippi Correctional Facility within  
873 the county;

874 (b) In 1996, additional facilities to house another one  
875 thousand four hundred sixteen (1,416) male offenders were  
876 constructed at the South Mississippi Correctional Facility within  
877 the county; and

878 (c) The patrolling of the state properties located  
879 within the county has imposed additional duties on the sheriff  
880 justifying additional compensation.

881 (10) The salaries \* \* \* provided in this section shall be  
882 payable monthly on the first day of each calendar month by  
883 chancery clerk's warrant drawn on the general fund of the county;

884 however, the board of supervisors, by resolution duly adopted and  
885 entered on its minutes, may provide that such salaries shall be  
886 paid semimonthly on the first and fifteenth day of each month. If  
887 a pay date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, salary payments  
888 shall be made on the workday immediately preceding the weekend or  
889 legal holiday.

890 SECTION 6. Section 25-3-36, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
891 amended as follows:

892 25-3-36. (1) From and after October 1, 1998, every justice  
893 court judge shall receive as full compensation for his or her  
894 services and in lieu of any and all other fees, costs or  
895 compensation heretofore authorized for such justice court judge,  
896 an annual salary based upon the population of his or her county  
897 according to the 1990 federal decennial census; however, no  
898 justice court judge shall be paid less than the salary authorized  
899 under this section to be paid the justice court judge based upon  
900 the population of the county according to the 1980 federal  
901 decennial census. The amount of which salary shall be determined  
902 as follows:

903 (a) In counties with a population of more than two  
904 hundred thousand (200,000), a salary of Fifty-three Thousand Two  
905 Hundred Forty-four Dollars (\$53,244.00).

906 (b) In counties with a population of more than one  
907 hundred fifty thousand (150,000) but not more than two hundred  
908 thousand (200,000), a salary of Forty-eight Thousand Eight Hundred  
909 Eighty Dollars (\$48,880.00).

910 (c) In counties with a population of more than  
911 seventy-five thousand (75,000) but not more than one hundred fifty  
912 thousand (150,000), a salary of Forty-four Thousand Five Hundred  
913 Sixteen Dollars (\$44,516.00).

914 (d) In counties with a population of more than  
915 forty-nine thousand (49,000) but not more than seventy-five

916 thousand (75,000), a salary of Thirty-eight Thousand Four Hundred  
917 Six Dollars (\$38,406.00).

918 (e) In counties with a population of more than  
919 thirty-four thousand (34,000) but not more than forty-nine  
920 thousand (49,000), a salary of Thirty-three Thousand One Hundred  
921 Sixty-nine Dollars (\$33,169.00).

922 (f) In counties with a population of more than  
923 twenty-four thousand five hundred (24,500) but not more than  
924 thirty-four thousand (34,000), a salary of Thirty-one Thousand  
925 Four Hundred Twenty-three Dollars (\$31,423.00).

926 (g) In counties with a population of more than  
927 twenty-one thousand (21,000) but not more than twenty-four  
928 thousand five hundred (24,500), a salary of Twenty-seven Thousand  
929 Nine Hundred Thirty-two Dollars (\$27,932.00).

930 (h) In counties with a population of more than sixteen  
931 thousand five hundred (16,500) but not more than twenty-one  
932 thousand (21,000), a salary of Twenty-four Thousand Four Hundred  
933 Forty Dollars (\$24,440.00).

934 (i) In counties with a population of more than twelve  
935 thousand (12,000) but not more than sixteen thousand five hundred  
936 (16,500), a salary of Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-nine  
937 Dollars (\$20,949.00).

938 (j) In counties with a population of more than eight  
939 thousand (8,000) but not more than twelve thousand (12,000), a  
940 salary of Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars  
941 (\$17,250.00).

942 (k) In counties with a population of eight thousand  
943 (8,000) or less, a salary of Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred  
944 Dollars (\$13,800.00).

945 The board of supervisors of any county having two (2)  
946 judicial districts and two (2) justice court judges for the county  
947 shall pay each justice court judge an amount equal to that \* \* \*  
948 provided in this subsection for judges in the next higher

949 population category per year, if the justice court judge maintains  
950 regular office hours and is personally present in the office they  
951 maintain for at least thirty (30) hours per week. In any county  
952 having a population greater than eight thousand (8,000) but less  
953 than eight thousand five hundred (8,500) according to the 1990  
954 federal decennial census and in which U.S. Highway 61 and  
955 Mississippi Highway 4 intersect, the board of supervisors \* \* \*,  
956 in its discretion, may pay such justice court judges an additional  
957 amount not to exceed the sum of Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Fifty  
958 Dollars (\$11,550.00) per year, payable beginning April 1, 1997.  
959 In any county having a population greater than ten thousand  
960 (10,000) but less than ten thousand five hundred (10,500)  
961 according to the 1990 federal decennial census and in which  
962 Mississippi Highway 3 and Mississippi Highway 6 intersect, the  
963 board of supervisors \* \* \*, in its discretion, may pay such  
964 justice court judges an additional amount not to exceed One  
965 Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,450.00) per year, payable  
966 beginning April 1, 1997. In any county having a population  
967 greater than twenty-four thousand seven hundred (24,700) and less  
968 than twenty-four thousand nine hundred (24,900), according to the  
969 1990 federal census, wherein Mississippi Highways 15 and 16  
970 intersect, the board of supervisors shall pay such justice court  
971 judge an additional amount equal to Two Thousand Five Hundred  
972 Dollars (\$2,500.00) per year.

973 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this  
974 section, in the event that the number of justice court judges  
975 authorized pursuant to Section 9-11-2(1) is exceeded pursuant to  
976 the provisions of Section 9-11-2(4), the aggregate of the salaries  
977 paid to the justice court judges of such a county shall not exceed  
978 the amount sufficient to pay the number of justice court judges  
979 authorized pursuant to Section 9-11-2(1), and such amount shall be  
980 equally divided among those justice court judges continuing to  
981 hold office under the provisions of Section 9-11-2(4).

982           (3) From and after January 1, 1984, all fees, costs, fines  
983 and penalties charged and collected in the justice court shall be  
984 paid to the clerk of the justice court for deposit, along with  
985 monies from cash bonds and other monies which have been forfeited  
986 in criminal cases, into the general fund of the county as provided  
987 in Section 9-11-19; and the clerk of the board of supervisors  
988 shall be authorized and empowered, upon approval by the board of  
989 supervisors, to make disbursements and withdrawals from the  
990 general fund of the county in order to pay any reasonable and  
991 necessary expenses incurred in complying with this section,  
992 including payment of the salaries of justice court judges as  
993 provided by subsection (1) of this section. The provisions of  
994 this subsection shall not, except as to cash bonds and other  
995 monies which have been forfeited in criminal cases, apply to  
996 monies required to be deposited in the justice court clerk  
997 clearing account as provided in Section 9-11-18, Mississippi Code  
998 of 1972.

999           (4) The salaries provided for in \* \* \* this section shall be  
1000 payable monthly by warrant drawn by the clerk of the board of  
1001 supervisors on the general fund of the county; however, the board  
1002 of supervisors, by resolution duly adopted and entered on its  
1003 minutes, may provide that such salaries shall be paid semimonthly  
1004 on the first and fifteenth day of each month. If a pay date falls  
1005 on a weekend or legal holiday, salary payments shall be made on  
1006 the workday immediately preceding the weekend or legal holiday.

1007           (5) \* \* \* The salary of a justice court judge shall not be  
1008 reduced during his term of office as a result of a population  
1009 change following a federal decennial census.

1010           (6) Any justice court judge who is unable to attend and hold  
1011 court by reason of being under suspension by the Commission on  
1012 Judicial Performance or the Mississippi Supreme Court shall not  
1013 receive a salary while under such suspension.

1014 SECTION 7. Section 9-9-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1015 amended as follows:

1016 9-9-11. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (2)  
1017 and (3), the county court judge shall receive an annual salary  
1018 payable monthly out of the county treasury in an amount not to  
1019 exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) less than the salary which  
1020 is now or shall hereafter be provided for circuit and chancery  
1021 judges of this state, in the discretion of the board of  
1022 supervisors of that county; \* \* \* however, \* \* \* the salary of  
1023 such judge shall not be reduced during his term of office. \* \* \*  
1024 Further, \* \* \* the office of county court judge in any county  
1025 receiving an annual salary of Thirty-six Thousand Dollars  
1026 (\$36,000.00) or more shall be a full-time position, and the holder  
1027 thereof shall not otherwise engage in the practice of law.

1028 (2) In the event of the establishment of a county court by  
1029 agreement between two (2) or more counties as provided in Section  
1030 9-9-3, the county judge of the court so established shall be paid  
1031 a salary equal to one and one-half (1-1/2) times that salary that  
1032 he would be paid if he were the judge of the smallest of such two  
1033 (2) or more counties, such salary to be paid in monthly  
1034 installments as provided by law; provided that such salary shall  
1035 not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) less than the salary  
1036 of the circuit and chancery judges of this state.

1037 (3) The county court judge shall receive an annual salary  
1038 payable monthly out of the county treasury as follows:

1039 (a) In any county having a population of seventy  
1040 thousand (70,000) or more according to the 1980 federal census,  
1041 the county judge shall receive an annual salary of One Thousand  
1042 Dollars (\$1,000.00) less than that paid to a circuit court judge.  
1043 The office of county judge shall be a full-time position, and the  
1044 holder thereof shall not otherwise engage in the practice of law.

1045 (b) In any county having a population of sixty thousand  
1046 (60,000) or more but less than seventy thousand (70,000) according

1047 to the 1980 federal census, the county judge shall receive an  
1048 annual salary of Forty-six Thousand Dollars (\$46,000.00). The  
1049 office of county judge shall be a full-time position, and the  
1050 holder thereof shall not otherwise engage in the practice of law.  
1051 The county judge shall not be eligible for any additional salary  
1052 except as may be authorized in subsection (4).

1053 (c) In any county having a population of twenty-seven  
1054 thousand (27,000) or more but less than sixty thousand (60,000)  
1055 according to the 1980 federal census, the county judge shall  
1056 receive an annual salary of not less than Thirteen Thousand Eight  
1057 Hundred Dollars (\$13,800.00) but not more than Forty-six Thousand  
1058 Dollars (\$46,000.00), in the discretion of the board of  
1059 supervisors of that county. The county judge shall not be  
1060 eligible for any additional salary except as may be authorized in  
1061 subsection (4). In the event that the board of supervisors of  
1062 said county elects to pay such county judge an annual salary of  
1063 Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) or more, the office of county  
1064 judge shall be a full-time position, and the holder thereof shall  
1065 not otherwise engage in the practice of law.

1066 (d) In any county having a population of less than  
1067 twenty-seven thousand (27,000) according to the 1980 federal  
1068 census, the county judge shall receive an annual salary of not  
1069 less than Four Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$4,830.00)  
1070 and not more than Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-five Dollars  
1071 (\$9,775.00), in the discretion of the board of supervisors of that  
1072 county. The county judge shall not be eligible for any additional  
1073 salary except as may be authorized in subsection (4).

1074 (4) The county judge of any county described in this  
1075 subsection shall be paid the compensation, and he shall be subject  
1076 to any restrictions, set forth in the following paragraphs:

1077 (a) The county judge of any such Class 1 county with  
1078 population according to the latest federal decennial census of  
1079 forty-five thousand (45,000) or more and lying wholly within a

1080 levee district and having two (2) judicial districts \* \* \*, in the  
1081 discretion of the board of supervisors of such county, shall  
1082 receive an annual salary not exceeding Forty Thousand Dollars  
1083 (\$40,000.00), or a sum which is One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)  
1084 less than the salary which is now or shall hereafter be provided  
1085 for circuit and chancery judges of the state, whichever is  
1086 greater.

1087           (b) The county judge of any Class 1 county having an  
1088 area in excess of nine hundred twenty-five (925) square miles  
1089 shall receive an annual salary of not less than Thirty Thousand  
1090 Dollars (\$30,000.00) but, in the discretion of the board of  
1091 supervisors of such county, such salary may be not more than Five  
1092 Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) less than the annual salary of a circuit  
1093 judge, payable monthly out of the county treasury, and the county  
1094 judge shall not practice law.

1095           (c) The office of county judge in any such Class 1  
1096 county with a population according to the 1970 federal decennial  
1097 census of greater than thirty-nine thousand (39,000), and where  
1098 U.S. Highway 61 and Mississippi Highway 6 intersect, shall receive  
1099 an annual salary to be paid in monthly installments of not less  
1100 than an amount equal to ninety percent (90%) of the annual salary  
1101 which is now or shall hereafter be provided for circuit and  
1102 chancery judges of the state, as follows: The salary of the  
1103 county judge shall be increased by ten percent (10%) annually  
1104 above the base salary of the preceding year until such time as the  
1105 judge's salary is equal to the amount that is provided by this  
1106 subsection. The office of county judge shall be a full-time  
1107 position and the holder thereof shall not otherwise engage in the  
1108 practice of law.

1109           (d) In any Class 1 county bordering on the Mississippi  
1110 River and which has situated therein a national military park and  
1111 national military cemetery, the office of county judge shall be a  
1112 full-time position and the holder thereof shall not otherwise

1113 engage in the practice of law. The salary for the county judge in  
1114 said county shall be fixed at a sum which is One Thousand Dollars  
1115 (\$1,000.00) less than the salary which is now or shall hereafter  
1116 be provided for circuit and chancery judges of this state.

1117 (e) The county judge in any county having a population  
1118 of at least forty-two thousand one hundred eleven (42,111),  
1119 according to the 1970 census, and where U.S. Highway 49E and U.S.  
1120 Highway 82 intersect, shall receive an annual salary to be paid in  
1121 monthly installments of not less than Thirty Thousand Dollars  
1122 (\$30,000.00) but not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
1123 (\$2,500.00) less than the annual salary of the circuit judge, in  
1124 the discretion of the board of supervisors of that county.

1125 (f) The county judge in any Class 1 county bordering on  
1126 the Mississippi River and having an area of less than four hundred  
1127 fifty (450) square miles wherein U.S. Highways 84 and 61 intersect  
1128 shall receive an annual salary of Four Thousand Dollars  
1129 (\$4,000.00) less than the annual salary of a circuit judge, and  
1130 such county judge shall not practice law in any manner. The  
1131 county judge in such county shall not be eligible to receive any  
1132 additional salary authorized by this section or from any other  
1133 source other than that set out and authorized by this paragraph.

1134 (g) The county judge of any Class 1 county bordering on  
1135 the Mississippi River on the west and the State of Tennessee on  
1136 the north, and traversed north to south by Interstate Highway 55,  
1137 shall receive an annual salary of ninety percent (90%) of the  
1138 salary which is now or shall hereafter be provided for chancery  
1139 and circuit judges of this state, but in any event not less than  
1140 Sixty Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$60,200.00).

1141 (h) The county judge of any Class 1 county with a  
1142 population of greater than sixty-nine thousand (69,000) according  
1143 to the 1980 federal decennial census, and wherein U.S. Highway 80  
1144 and Mississippi Highway 43 intersect, shall receive an annual  
1145 salary in an amount not greater than the sum of Five Hundred

1146 Dollars (\$500.00) less than the salary which is now or shall  
1147 hereafter be provided for circuit and chancery judges of this  
1148 state, in the discretion of the board of supervisors of that  
1149 county.

1150 (i) The county judge of any county having a population  
1151 in excess of sixty-six thousand (66,000) according to the 1980  
1152 federal decennial census, wherein is located a state-supported  
1153 university and in which U.S. Highways 49 and 11 intersect, shall  
1154 receive an annual salary of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) less  
1155 than that paid to a circuit court judge. The office of such  
1156 county judge shall be a full-time position, and the holder thereof  
1157 shall not otherwise engage in the practice of law.

1158 (j) The county judge of any county having two (2)  
1159 judicial districts, having a population in excess of sixty-one  
1160 thousand nine hundred (61,900) according to the 1980 federal  
1161 decennial census, in which U.S. Interstate Highway 59 intersects  
1162 with U.S. Highway 84, shall receive an annual salary of One  
1163 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) less than the salary which is now or  
1164 hereafter authorized to be paid circuit and chancery court judges  
1165 of this state. The office of such county judge shall be a  
1166 full-time position, and the holder thereof shall not otherwise  
1167 engage in the practice of law.

1168 (k) The office of county judge of any Class I county  
1169 wherein U.S. Highway 51 and U.S. Highway 98 intersect shall be a  
1170 full-time position and the holder thereof shall not otherwise  
1171 engage in the practice of law. The annual salary for the office  
1172 of county judge in that county may be fixed, in the discretion of  
1173 the board of supervisors of the county, at a sum not to exceed Two  
1174 Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) less than the salary which is now or  
1175 shall hereafter be provided for circuit and chancery judges of  
1176 this state.

1177 (l) The county judge of any county having a population  
1178 of more than forty-one thousand six hundred (41,600) but less than

1179 forty-one thousand six hundred fifty (41,650) according to the  
1180 1980 federal census, and wherein U.S. Highway 49 intersects with  
1181 Mississippi Highway 22, shall receive an annual salary in an  
1182 amount established by the board of supervisors, but in no event to  
1183 exceed the salary provided now or hereafter for circuit and  
1184 chancery judges of this state.

1185 (m) The county judge of any county having a population  
1186 of more than fifty-seven thousand (57,000) but less than  
1187 fifty-seven thousand one hundred (57,100) according to the 1980  
1188 federal census, wherein U.S. Highway 45 intersects with  
1189 Mississippi Highway 6, shall receive an annual salary in an amount  
1190 established by the board of supervisors, but in no event to exceed  
1191 the salary provided now or hereafter for circuit and chancery  
1192 judges of this state.

1193 (n) The county judge of any county having a population  
1194 of more than fifty-seven thousand three hundred (57,300) according  
1195 to the 1980 federal decennial census, wherein is located a  
1196 state-supported university and wherein United States Highways 82  
1197 and 45 intersect, shall receive an annual salary in an amount  
1198 established by the board of supervisors, but in no event to exceed  
1199 the salary provided now or hereafter for circuit and chancery  
1200 judges of this state.

1201 (5) The salary of a county court judge or justice court  
1202 judge shall not be reduced during his term of office as a result  
1203 of a population decrease based upon the 1990 federal decennial  
1204 census.

1205 \* \* \*

1206 (6) From and after October 1, 1993, \* \* \* in addition to the  
1207 salaries set forth in this section, the board of supervisors of  
1208 any county, in its discretion, may pay any county court judge  
1209 whose salary is not established herein in relation to the salary  
1210 paid to chancery and circuit court judges, an additional amount

1211 not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the maximum allowable salary  
1212 for that judge.

1213 SECTION 8. Section 41-61-59, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1214 amended as follows:

1215 41-61-59. (1) A person's death which affects the public  
1216 interest as specified in subsection (2) of this section shall be  
1217 promptly reported to the medical examiner by the physician in  
1218 attendance, any hospital employee, any law enforcement officer  
1219 having knowledge of the death, the embalmer or other funeral home  
1220 employee, any emergency medical technician, any relative or any  
1221 other person present. The appropriate medical examiner shall  
1222 notify the municipal or state law enforcement agency or sheriff  
1223 and take charge of the body.

1224 (2) A death affecting the public interest includes, but is  
1225 not limited to, any of the following:

1226 (a) Violent death, including homicidal, suicidal or  
1227 accidental death.

1228 (b) Death caused by thermal, chemical, electrical or  
1229 radiation injury.

1230 (c) Death caused by criminal abortion, including  
1231 self-induced abortion, or abortion related to or by sexual abuse.

1232 (d) Death related to disease thought to be virulent or  
1233 contagious which may constitute a public hazard.

1234 (e) Death that has occurred unexpectedly or from an  
1235 unexplained cause.

1236 (f) Death of a person confined in a prison, jail or  
1237 correctional institution.

1238 (g) Death of a person where a physician was not in  
1239 attendance within thirty-six (36) hours preceding death, or in  
1240 prediagnosed terminal or bedfast cases, within thirty (30) days  
1241 preceding death.

1242 (h) Death of a person where the body is not claimed by  
1243 a relative or a friend.

1244           (i) Death of a person where the identity of the  
1245 deceased is unknown.

1246           (j) Death of a child under the age of two (2) years  
1247 where death results from an unknown cause or where the  
1248 circumstances surrounding the death indicate that sudden infant  
1249 death syndrome may be the cause of death.

1250           (k) Where a body is brought into this state for  
1251 disposal and there is reason to believe either that the death was  
1252 not investigated properly or that there is not an adequate  
1253 certificate of death.

1254           (l) Where a person is presented to a hospital emergency  
1255 room unconscious and/or unresponsive, with cardiopulmonary  
1256 resuscitative measures being performed, and dies within  
1257 twenty-four (24) hours of admission without regaining  
1258 consciousness or responsiveness, unless a physician was in  
1259 attendance within thirty-six (36) hours preceding presentation to  
1260 the hospital, or in cases in which the decedent had a prediagnosed  
1261 terminal or bedfast condition, unless a physician was in  
1262 attendance within thirty (30) days preceding presentation to the  
1263 hospital.

1264           (3) The State Medical Examiner is empowered to investigate  
1265 deaths, under the authority hereinafter conferred, in any and all  
1266 political subdivisions of the state. The county medical examiners  
1267 and county medical examiner investigators, while appointed for a  
1268 specific county, may serve other counties on a regular basis with  
1269 written authorization by the State Medical Examiner, or may serve  
1270 other counties on an as-needed basis upon the request of the  
1271 ranking officer of the investigating law enforcement agency. The  
1272 county medical examiner or county medical examiner investigator of  
1273 any county which has established a regional medical examiner  
1274 district under subsection (4) of Section 41-61-77 may serve other  
1275 counties which are parties to the agreement establishing the  
1276 district, in accordance with the terms of the agreement, and may

1277 contract with counties which are not part of the district to  
1278 provide medical examiner services for such counties. If a death  
1279 affecting the public interest takes place in a county other than  
1280 the one where injuries or other substantial causal factors leading  
1281 to the death have occurred, jurisdiction for investigation of the  
1282 death may be transferred, by mutual agreement of the respective  
1283 medical examiners of the counties involved, to the county where  
1284 such injuries or other substantial causal factors occurred, and  
1285 the costs of autopsy or other studies necessary to the further  
1286 investigation of the death shall be borne by the county assuming  
1287 jurisdiction.

1288 (4) The chief county medical examiner or chief county  
1289 medical examiner investigator may receive from the county in which  
1290 he serves a salary of Eight Hundred Sixty-three Dollars (\$863.00)  
1291 per month, in addition to the fees specified in Sections 41-61-69  
1292 and 41-61-75, provided that no county shall pay the chief county  
1293 medical examiner or chief county medical examiner investigator  
1294 less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per month as a salary, in  
1295 addition to other compensation provided by law. In any county  
1296 having one or more deputy medical examiners or deputy medical  
1297 examiner investigators, each deputy may receive from the county in  
1298 which he serves, in the discretion of the board of supervisors, a  
1299 salary of not more than Eight Hundred Sixty-three Dollars  
1300 (\$863.00) per month, in addition to the fees specified in Sections  
1301 41-61-69 and 41-61-75. For this salary the chief shall assure  
1302 twenty-four-hour daily and readily available death investigators  
1303 for the county, and shall maintain copies of all medical examiner  
1304 death investigations for the county for at least the previous five  
1305 (5) years. He shall coordinate his office and duties and  
1306 cooperate with the State Medical Examiner, and the State Medical  
1307 Examiner shall cooperate with him.

1308 (5) A body composed of the State Medical Examiner, whether  
1309 appointed on a permanent or interim basis, the Director of the

1310 State Board of Health or his designee, the Attorney General or his  
1311 designee, the President of the Mississippi Coroners' Association  
1312 (or successor organization) or his designee, and a certified  
1313 pathologist appointed by the Mississippi State Medical Association  
1314 shall adopt, promulgate, amend and repeal rules and regulations as  
1315 may be deemed necessary by them from time to time for the proper  
1316 enforcement, interpretation and administration of Sections  
1317 41-61-51 through 41-61-79, in accordance with the provisions of  
1318 the Mississippi Administrative Procedures Law, being Sections  
1319 25-43-1 through 25-43-19.

1320 SECTION 9. Section 9-13-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1321 amended as follows:

1322 9-13-19. (1) Court reporters for circuit and chancery  
1323 courts shall be paid an annual salary of Forty-three Thousand  
1324 Seven Hundred Dollars (\$43,700.00) payable by the Administrative  
1325 Office of Courts. In addition, any court reporter performing the  
1326 duties of a court administrator in the same judicial district in  
1327 which the person is employed as a court reporter may be paid  
1328 additional compensation for performing the court administrator  
1329 duties. The annual amount of the additional compensation shall be  
1330 set by vote of the judges and chancellors for whom the court  
1331 administrator duties are performed, with consideration given to  
1332 the number of hours per month devoted by the court reporter to  
1333 performing the duties of a court administrator. The additional  
1334 compensation shall be submitted to the Administrative Office of  
1335 Courts for approval.

1336 (2) The several counties in each respective court district  
1337 shall transfer from the general funds of those county treasuries  
1338 to the Administrative Office of Courts a proportionate amount to  
1339 be paid toward the annual compensation of the court reporter,  
1340 including any additional compensation paid for the performance of  
1341 court administrator duties. The amount to be paid by each county  
1342 shall be determined by the number of weeks in which court is held

1343 in each county in proportion to the total number of weeks court is  
1344 held in the district. For purposes of this section, the term  
1345 "compensation" means the gross salary plus all amounts paid for  
1346 benefits, or otherwise, as a result of employment or as required  
1347 by employment, but does not include transcript fees otherwise  
1348 authorized to be paid by or through the counties. However, only  
1349 salary earned for services rendered shall be reported and credited  
1350 for retirement purposes. Amounts paid for transcript fees,  
1351 benefits or otherwise, including reimbursement for travel  
1352 expenses, shall not be reported or credited for retirement  
1353 purposes.

1354 For example, if there are thirty-eight (38) scheduled court  
1355 weeks in a particular district, a county in which court is  
1356 scheduled five (5) weeks out of the year would have to pay  
1357 five-thirty-eighths (5/38) of the total annual compensation.

1358 (3) The salary and any additional compensation for the  
1359 performance of court administrator duties shall be paid in twelve  
1360 (12) installments on the last working day of each month after it  
1361 has been duly authorized by the appointing judge or chancellor and  
1362 an order duly placed on the minutes of the court. Each county  
1363 shall transfer to the Administrative Office of Courts one-twelfth  
1364 (1/12) of the amount required to be paid pursuant to subsection  
1365 (2) of this section by the twentieth day of each month for the  
1366 salary that is to be paid on the last working day of the month.  
1367 The Administrative Office of Courts shall pay to the court  
1368 reporter the total amount of salary due for that month. Any  
1369 county may pay, in the discretion of the board of supervisors, by  
1370 the twentieth day of January of any year, the amount due for a  
1371 full twelve (12) months.

1372 (4) From and after October 1, 1996, all circuit and chancery  
1373 court reporters will be employees of the Administrative Office of  
1374 Courts.

1375 (5) No circuit or chancery court reporter shall be entitled  
1376 to any compensation for any special or extended term of court  
1377 after passage of this section.

1378 (6) No chancery or circuit court reporter shall practice law  
1379 in the court within which he or she is the court reporter.

1380 (7) For all travel required in the performance of official  
1381 duties, the circuit or chancery court reporter shall be paid  
1382 mileage by the county in which the duties were performed at the  
1383 same rate as provided for state employees in Section 25-3-41. The  
1384 court reporter shall file in the office of the clerk of the court  
1385 which he serves a certificate of mileage expense incurred during  
1386 that term and payment of such expense to the court reporter shall  
1387 be paid on allowance by the judge of such court.

1388 SECTION 10. Section 19-25-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1389 amended as follows:

1390 19-25-31. Each judge of a circuit, chancery or county court,  
1391 or a court of eminent domain may, in the judge's discretion, by  
1392 order entered on the minutes of the court, allow the sheriff  
1393 riding bailiffs to serve in the respective court of such judge,  
1394 not to exceed four (4) bailiffs. Any such person so employed  
1395 shall be paid by the county on allowances of the court on issuance  
1396 of a warrant therefor in an amount of Seventy Dollars (\$70.00) for  
1397 each day, or part thereof, for which he serves as bailiff when the  
1398 court is in session. No full-time deputy sheriff shall be paid as  
1399 a riding bailiff of any court. County court judges shall be  
1400 limited to one (1) bailiff per each court day.

1401 SECTION 11. Section 23-15-225, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1402 amended as follows:

1403 23-15-225. (1) The registrar shall be entitled to such  
1404 compensation, payable monthly out of the county treasury, which  
1405 the board of supervisors of the county shall allow on an annual  
1406 basis in the following amounts:

1407 (a) For counties with a total population of more than  
1408 two hundred thousand (200,000), an amount not to exceed  
1409 Thirty-four Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-five Dollars  
1410 (\$34,385.00), but not less than Ten Thousand Five Hundred Eighty  
1411 Dollars (\$10,580.00).

1412 (b) For counties with a total population of more than  
1413 one hundred thousand (100,000) and not more than two hundred  
1414 thousand (200,000), an amount not to exceed Twenty-nine Thousand  
1415 Ninety-five Dollars (\$25,095.00), but not less than Ten Thousand  
1416 Five Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$10,580.00).

1417 (c) For counties with a total population of more than  
1418 fifty thousand (50,000) and not more than one hundred thousand  
1419 (100,000), an amount not to exceed Twenty-six Thousand Four  
1420 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$26,450.00), but not less than Ten Thousand  
1421 Five Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$10,580.00).

1422 (d) For counties with a total population of more than  
1423 thirty-five thousand (35,000) and not more than fifty thousand  
1424 (50,000), an amount not to exceed Twenty-three Thousand Eight  
1425 Hundred Five Dollars (\$23,805.00), but not less than Ten Thousand  
1426 Five Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$10,580.00).

1427 (e) For counties with a total population of more than  
1428 twenty-five thousand (25,000) and not more than thirty-five  
1429 thousand (35,000), an amount not to exceed Twenty-one Thousand One  
1430 Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$21,160.00), but not less than Ten Thousand  
1431 Five Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$10,580.00).

1432 (f) For counties with a total population of more than  
1433 fifteen thousand (15,000) and not more than twenty-five thousand  
1434 (25,000), an amount not to exceed Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred  
1435 Fifteen Dollars (\$18,515.00), but not less than Ten Thousand Five  
1436 Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$10,580.00).

1437 (g) For counties with a total population of more than  
1438 ten thousand (10,000) and not more than fifteen thousand (15,000),  
1439 an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy

1440 Dollars (\$15,870.00), but not less than Nine Thousand Two Hundred  
1441 Fifty-eight Dollars (\$9,258.00).

1442 (h) For counties with a total population of more than  
1443 six thousand (6,000) and not more than ten thousand (10,000), an  
1444 amount not to exceed Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-five  
1445 Dollars (\$13,225.00), but not less than Nine Thousand Two Hundred  
1446 Fifty-eight Dollars (\$9,258.00).

1447 (i) For counties with a total population of not more  
1448 than six thousand (6,000), an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand  
1449 Five Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$10,580.00), but not less than Seven  
1450 Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-four Dollars (\$7,274.00).

1451 (j) For counties having two (2) judicial districts, the  
1452 board of supervisors of the county may allow, in addition to the  
1453 sums prescribed herein, in its discretion, an amount not to exceed  
1454 Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$13,225.00).

1455 (2) In the event of a reregistration within such county, or  
1456 a redistricting which necessitates the hiring of additional deputy  
1457 registrars, the board of supervisors may by contract compensate  
1458 the county registrar amounts in addition to the sums prescribed in  
1459 this section, in its discretion.

1460 (3) As compensation for their services in assisting the  
1461 county election commissioners in performance of their duties in  
1462 the revision of the registration books and the pollbooks of the  
1463 several voting precincts of the several counties and in assisting  
1464 the election commissioners, executive committees or boards of  
1465 supervisors in connection with any election, the registrar shall  
1466 receive the same daily per diem and limitation on meeting days as  
1467 provided for the board of election commissioners as set out in  
1468 Sections 23-15-153 and 23-15-227 to be paid from the general fund  
1469 of the county.

1470 (4) In any case where an amount has been allowed by the  
1471 board of supervisors pursuant to this section, such amount shall

1472 not be reduced or terminated during the term for which the  
1473 registrar was elected.

1474 (5) The circuit clerk shall, in addition to any other  
1475 compensation provided for by law, be entitled to receive as  
1476 compensation from the board of supervisors the amount of Two  
1477 Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per year. This payment shall be for  
1478 the performance of his duties in regard to the conduct of  
1479 elections and the performance of his other duties.

1480 (6) The municipal clerk shall, in addition to any other  
1481 compensation for performance of duties, be eligible to receive as  
1482 compensation from the municipality's governing authorities a  
1483 reasonable amount of additional compensation for reimbursement of  
1484 costs and for additional duties associated with mail-in  
1485 registration of voters.

1486 (7) The board of supervisors shall not allow any additional  
1487 compensation authorized under this section for services as county  
1488 registrar to any circuit clerk who is receiving fees as  
1489 compensation for his services equal to the limitation on  
1490 compensation prescribed in Section 9-1-43.

1491 SECTION 12. Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1492 brought forward as follows:

1493 5-1-41. Beginning with the 1986 Regular Session of the  
1494 Legislature of the State of Mississippi, each Senator and  
1495 Representative of the Legislature shall receive as compensation at  
1496 each regular session the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)  
1497 and the mileage allowance provided by Section 25-3-41, for each  
1498 mile of the distance by the most direct route usually traveled in  
1499 coming to and returning from the place where the Legislature sits.  
1500 Beginning on April 16, 1997, each Senator and Representative shall  
1501 receive for attending each extraordinary session or called session  
1502 the sum of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) per day and mileage at  
1503 the same rate as per regular session. In addition to the above,  
1504 beginning on April 16, 1997, each Senator and Representative and

1505 the Lieutenant Governor shall receive the sum of One Thousand Five  
1506 Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per month for expenses incidental to  
1507 his office for every full month of his term, except any month or  
1508 major fraction thereof when the Legislature is convened in regular  
1509 or extraordinary session; and payments shall be made to each  
1510 Senator and Representative and the Lieutenant Governor by the  
1511 State Treasurer between the first and tenth day of each month  
1512 following the month for which the payments are due.

1513 SECTION 13. Section 5-1-43, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1514 brought forward as follows:

1515 5-1-43. (1) The salary of the Lieutenant Governor and of  
1516 the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be Sixty  
1517 Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) annually, and they shall receive for  
1518 attending each extraordinary or called session the same  
1519 compensation and mileage as is provided for members of the  
1520 Legislature. However, in the event the Lieutenant Governor  
1521 serving on the effective date of Laws, 1997, Chapter 577, shall be  
1522 re-elected for the term beginning in the year 2000, he shall  
1523 continue to receive an annual salary of Forty Thousand Eight  
1524 Hundred Dollars (\$40,800.00).

1525 (2) On the first day of each month, the Lieutenant Governor  
1526 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall receive in  
1527 twelve (12) equal monthly installments the compensation provided  
1528 for pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

1529 SECTION 14. Section 5-1-45, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1530 brought forward as follows:

1531 5-1-45. Beginning on June 4, 1997, the President Pro Tempore  
1532 of the Senate shall receive an annual salary in an amount equal to  
1533 Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The salary provided for  
1534 the President Pro Tempore under this section shall be in addition  
1535 to the compensation and expense allowance established for members  
1536 of the Legislature under Section 5-1-41.

1537 SECTION 15. Section 5-1-47, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1538 brought forward as follows:

1539 5-1-47. (1) In addition to the regular salary and mileage  
1540 provided by law, an expense allowance equal to the maximum daily  
1541 expense rate allowable to employees of the federal government for  
1542 travel in the high rate geographical area of Jackson, Mississippi,  
1543 as may be established by federal regulations, per day, or an  
1544 expense allowance of Forty-four Dollars (\$44.00) if the Lieutenant  
1545 Governor or a Senator or Representative so chooses under  
1546 subsection (2) of Section 5-1-41, for each legislative day in  
1547 actual attendance at a session shall be paid to the Lieutenant  
1548 Governor and members of the Senate and House of Representatives,  
1549 together with an additional mileage allowance as provided by  
1550 Section 25-3-41, for each mile of the distance by the most direct  
1551 route usually traveled in coming to and returning from the place  
1552 where the Legislature is in session, which said expense allowance  
1553 and additional mileage allowance shall be paid at the end of each  
1554 seven (7) day period while the Legislature is in session.

1555 In addition to the mileage allowance provided for in the  
1556 above paragraph, an expense allowance equal to the maximum daily  
1557 expense rate allowable to employees of the federal government for  
1558 travel in the high rate geographical area of Jackson, Mississippi,  
1559 as may be established by federal regulations, per day, shall be  
1560 paid to the Lieutenant Governor and members of the Senate and  
1561 House of Representatives, unless the Lieutenant Governor or a  
1562 Senator or Representative chooses not to receive such expense  
1563 allowance in the manner provided in subsection (2) of Section  
1564 5-1-41, for any day between legislative sessions while attending  
1565 to legislative duties, upon the approval of the appropriate  
1566 management committee of the Senate or House, as the case may be.

1567 (2) The expense allowance and additional mileage allowance  
1568 provided by this section for the Lieutenant Governor and members  
1569 of the Senate shall be paid from the appropriate legislative fund

1570 of the Senate as provided by law, and the expense allowance and  
1571 additional mileage allowance for members of the House of  
1572 Representatives shall be paid from the appropriate legislative  
1573 fund of said House of Representatives as provided by law, upon  
1574 warrants drawn for such purpose in the manner provided by law.

1575 SECTION 16. Section 25-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1576 brought forward as follows:

1577 25-3-31. The annual salaries of the following elected state  
1578 and district officers are fixed as follows:

1579	Governor.....	\$101,800.00
1580	Attorney General.....	90,800.00
1581	Secretary of State.....	75,000.00
1582	Commissioner of Insurance.....	75,000.00
1583	State Treasurer.....	75,000.00
1584	State Auditor of Public Accounts.....	75,000.00
1585	Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce.....	75,000.00
1586	Transportation Commissioners.....	65,000.00
1587	Public Service Commissioners.....	65,000.00

1588 The above fixed salary of the Governor shall be the reference  
1589 amount utilized in computing average compensation and earned  
1590 compensation pursuant to Section 25-11-103(f) and Section  
1591 25-11-103(k) and to related sections which require such  
1592 computations.

1593 SECTION 17. Section 25-3-33, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1594 brought forward as follows:

1595 25-3-33. The annual salaries of the following appointive  
1596 state and district officials and employees are fixed as follows:

1597	Deputy Attorney General, not to exceed.....	\$72,800.00
1598	Assistant Attorneys General shall each	
1599	receive annual salaries in an amount	
1600	to be fixed by the Attorney General	
1601	but not to exceed.....	68,400.00

1602 Military Department--National Guard:

1603	Adjutant General.....	80,000.00
1604	Department of Banking and Consumer Finance:	
1605	Commissioner.....	85,000.00
1606	Chairman of the State Tax Commission	
1607	(Commissioner of Revenue).....	91,000.00
1608	Associate Commissioners, each.....	42,000.00
1609	Director of Emergency Management Agency.....	65,000.00
1610	Department of Public Safety:	
1611	Commissioner of Public Safety.....	80,000.00
1612	Director, Office of Mississippi	
1613	Highway Safety Patrol, or	
1614	his successor.....	70,000.00
1615	Director, Office of Support Services,	
1616	or his successor.....	70,000.00
1617	Department of Human Services:	
1618	Director, not to exceed.....	85,000.00
1619	Workers' Compensation Commission:	
1620	Chairman.....	80,000.00
1621	Members, each.....	78,000.00
1622	Executive Director.....	75,000.00
1623	Administrative Judge, each.....	75,000.00
1624	Archives and History:	
1625	Director, not to exceed.....	70,000.00
1626	State Forester.....	70,000.00
1627	State Oil and Gas Board:	
1628	Secretary-Supervisor.....	70,000.00
1629	Educational Television Authority:	
1630	Executive Director.....	70,000.00
1631	Director, Mississippi Library Commission,	
1632	not to exceed.....	70,000.00
1633	Executive Secretary, Public Service	
1634	Commission.....	65,000.00
1635	Parole Board:	

1636	Chairman.....	50,000.00
1637	Administrative Assistant for	
1638	Parole Matters.....	42,000.00
1639	Members, each.....	44,000.00
1640	Governor's State Bond Advisory Division:	
1641	Director.....	55,000.00
1642	Employment Security Commission:	
1643	Executive Director, not to exceed.....	70,000.00
1644	Executive Director, Department of	
1645	Mental Health, to be determined by the	
1646	State Board of Mental Health, not	
1647	to exceed.....	85,000.00
1648	Director, Division of Medicaid,	
1649	not to exceed.....	85,000.00
1650	Director, State Department of Transportation,	
1651	not to exceed.....	85,000.00
1652	State Entomologist.....	65,000.00
1653	Clerk of the Supreme Court.....	60,000.00
1654	State Aid Engineer, Division of State	
1655	Aid Road Construction.....	70,000.00
1656	Executive Director, Judicial Performance	
1657	Commission.....	65,000.00
1658	Executive Director, Department of Finance	
1659	and Administration.....	85,000.00
1660	Superintendent, Mississippi School for the	
1661	Blind, to be determined by the State	
1662	Board of Education, not to exceed.....	65,000.00
1663	Superintendent, Mississippi School for the Deaf,	
1664	to be determined by the State Board	
1665	of Education, not to exceed.....	65,000.00
1666	Executive Director, State Fair Commission.....	65,000.00
1667	Executive Director, Department of Wildlife,	
1668	Fisheries and Parks.....	80,000.00

1669	Executive Director, Department of Environmental	
1670	Quality.....	85,000.00
1671	Executive Director, Pat Harrison Waterway	
1672	District.....	65,000.00
1673	Executive Director, Pearl River Basin	
1674	Development District.....	61,000.00
1675	Executive Director, Pearl River Valley Water	
1676	Supply District.....	71,000.00
1677	Executive Director, Tombigbee River Valley	
1678	Water Management District.....	61,000.00
1679	Director, Soil and Water Conservation	
1680	Commission.....	60,000.00
1681	Commissioner, Mississippi Department of	
1682	Corrections.....	85,000.00
1683	Executive Director, Mississippi Department of	
1684	Information Technology Services.....	85,000.00
1685	Executive Director, Mississippi Industries	
1686	for the Blind.....	60,000.00
1687	Director, Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics.....	60,000.00
1688	Executive Secretary, State Veterans Affairs	
1689	Board.....	55,000.00
1690	Executive Officer, Veterans' Home Purchase	
1691	Board.....	65,000.00
1692	Chief Administrative Officer, Motor Vehicle	
1693	Commission.....	55,000.00
1694	Stadium Manager, Mississippi Veterans	
1695	Memorial Stadium.....	55,000.00
1696	Executive Director, Mississippi Arts	
1697	Commission.....	55,000.00
1698	Director, Mississippi Board of Nursing.....	60,000.00
1699	Director, State Board of Pharmacy.....	60,000.00
1700	Director, State Board of Public Contractors.....	50,000.00
1701	Director, Real Estate Commission.....	55,000.00

1702	Director of Support Services, Department	
1703	of Rehabilitation Services.....	80,000.00
1704	Executive Director, State Fire Academy.....	55,000.00
1705	Executive Director, Law Enforcement	
1706	Officers Training Academy.....	50,000.00
1707	Executive Director, State Board of	
1708	Accountancy.....	60,000.00
1709	Executive Director, Mississippi	
1710	Gaming Commission.....	90,000.00
1711	Executive Director, Mississippi	
1712	Department of Marine Resources.....	70,000.00
1713	Executive Director, State Board of	
1714	Registration for Professional	
1715	Engineers and Land Surveyors.....	55,000.00
1716	Executive Director, Public Utilities	
1717	Staff.....	85,000.00
1718	State Law Librarian.....	60,000.00
1719	State Personnel Director.....	75,000.00
1720	Manager, Farmers Central Market,	
1721	Department of Agriculture and	
1722	Commerce.....	40,000.00
1723	State Veterinarian.....	70,000.00
1724	Executive Director, Mississippi Ethics	
1725	Commission.....	70,000.00
1726	SECTION 18. Section 25-3-35, Mississippi Code of 1972, is	
1727	brought forward as follows:	
1728	25-3-35. (1) The annual salaries of the following judges	
1729	are fixed as follows, to begin at the commencement of the next	
1730	term of office immediately succeeding the existing term:	
1731	Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.....	\$104,900.00
1732	Presiding Justice of the Supreme Court.....	102,900.00
1733	Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, each.....	102,300.00

1734           However, in addition to their present official duties, there  
1735 are imposed upon the Supreme Court Justices the extra duties of  
1736 making a special study of existing laws and reporting to each  
1737 regular session of the Legislature such constructive suggestions  
1738 as they may deem necessary for the improvement of the  
1739 administration of justice, and of advising and counseling with the  
1740 State Librarian in the selection of law books for purchase and use  
1741 in the State Law Library, advising with the librarian thereof upon  
1742 the removal from the library of any books which may be the least  
1743 frequently used, and for the placing of same in a convenient  
1744 location so as to provide additional space for such books and  
1745 other current publications which may be more frequently used or  
1746 called for. For such extra services each justice, from and after  
1747 June 17, 1999, shall receive a sum sufficient when added to the  
1748 present salaries of the justices to aggregate One Hundred Four  
1749 Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$104,900.00) for the Chief Justice,  
1750 One Hundred Two Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$102,900.00) for  
1751 the Presiding Justice, and One Hundred Two Thousand Three Hundred  
1752 Dollars (\$102,300.00) for Associate Justices, per annum. As each  
1753 existing term expires and the above-captioned salaries become  
1754 effective in due course, the extra duties and compensation  
1755 provided for shall cease.

1756           (2) The annual salaries of the judges of the Court of  
1757 Appeals of Mississippi are fixed as follows:

1758           Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals..... \$ 98,300.00  
1759           Associate Judges of the Court of Appeals, each..... 95,500.00

1760           (3) The annual salaries of the chancery and circuit court  
1761 judges are fixed as follows:

1762           Chancery Judges, each..... \$94,700.00  
1763           Circuit Judges, each..... 94,700.00

1764           In addition to their present official duties, there are  
1765 imposed upon the chancery and circuit court judges the extra  
1766 duties of making a special study of existing laws relating to

1767 trial courts and reporting to the Supreme Court of the State of  
1768 Mississippi such constructive suggestions as they may deem  
1769 necessary for the improvement of the administration of justice,  
1770 which shall be recommended to the Legislature by the Supreme Court  
1771 in the manner provided by law. The judges shall advise and  
1772 supervise in the purchase of law books for the libraries of each  
1773 district, and shall study and evaluate the inventory of books and  
1774 facilities now existing in the libraries of each district to  
1775 effect the removal and relocation of obsolete publications so as  
1776 to provide additional space for those books and current  
1777 publications more frequently used. The judges shall study the  
1778 existing rules promulgated by the circuit and chancery court  
1779 judicial associations governing the operation of chancery and  
1780 circuit courts, and revise the same pursuant to existing laws.  
1781 For such extra services each judge, from and after June 17, 1999,  
1782 shall receive a sum sufficient when added to the present salaries  
1783 of the judges to aggregate Ninety-four Thousand Seven Hundred  
1784 Dollars (\$94,700.00) per annum for each judge. Upon the  
1785 expiration of the existing term, the above-captioned salaries  
1786 become effective in due course, and the extra duties and  
1787 compensation provided for shall cease.

1788 (4) The Supreme Court shall prepare a payroll for chancery  
1789 judges and circuit judges and submit such payroll to the  
1790 Department of Finance and Administration.

1791 (5) The annual salary of the full-time district attorneys  
1792 shall be Seventy-nine Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Dollars  
1793 (\$79,830.00).

1794 (6) The annual salary of the full-time legal assistants  
1795 shall be not less than Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) nor  
1796 more than Sixty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$67,500.00),  
1797 as established by the district attorney.

1798 SECTION 19. Section 25-31-10, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
1799 brought forward as follows:

1800           25-31-10. (1) Any district attorney may appoint a full-time  
1801 criminal investigator.

1802           (2) The district attorneys of the Third, Fifth, Ninth,  
1803 Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth and  
1804 Twentieth Circuit Court Districts may appoint one (1) additional  
1805 full-time criminal investigator for a total of two (2) full-time  
1806 criminal investigators.

1807           (3) The district attorneys of the First, Second, Fourth and  
1808 Seventh and Nineteenth Circuit Court Districts may appoint two (2)  
1809 additional full-time criminal investigators for a total of three  
1810 (3) full-time criminal investigators.

1811           (4) No district attorney or assistant district attorney  
1812 shall accept any private employment, civil or criminal, in any  
1813 matter investigated by such criminal investigators.

1814           (5) The full and complete compensation for all public duties  
1815 rendered by said criminal investigators shall be not more than  
1816 Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) per annum, to be  
1817 determined at the discretion of the district attorney based upon  
1818 the qualifications, education and experience of the criminal  
1819 investigator, plus necessary travel and other expenses, to be paid  
1820 in accordance with Section 25-31-8. However, the maximum salary  
1821 under this subsection for a criminal investigator who has a law  
1822 degree may be supplemented by the district attorney from other  
1823 available funds, but not to exceed the maximum salary for a legal  
1824 assistant to a district attorney.

1825           (6) Any criminal investigator may be designated by the  
1826 district attorney to attend the Law Enforcement Officers Training  
1827 Program set forth in Section 45-6-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of  
1828 1972. The total expenses associated with attendance by criminal  
1829 investigators at the Law Enforcement Officers Training Program  
1830 shall be paid out of the funds of the appropriate district  
1831 attorney.

1832 SECTION 20. The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi  
1833 shall submit Sections 1 through 16 and Section 18 of this act,  
1834 immediately upon approval by the Governor, or upon approval by the  
1835 Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the Attorney General of the  
1836 United States or to the United States District Court for the  
1837 District of Columbia in accordance with the provisions of the  
1838 Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.

1839 SECTION 21. Sections 1 through 11 of this act shall take  
1840 effect and be in force from and after October 1, 2001, if it is  
1841 effectuated on or before that date under Section 5 of the Voting  
1842 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended. If it is effectuated  
1843 under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and  
1844 extended, after October 1, 2001, this act shall take effect and be  
1845 in force from and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5  
1846 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.

1847 SECTION 22. Sections 12 through 16 and Section 18 of this  
1848 act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2001,  
1849 if it is effectuated on or before that date under Section 5 of the  
1850 Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended. If it is  
1851 effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as  
1852 amended and extended, after July 1, 2001, this act shall take  
1853 effect and be in force from and after the date it is effectuated  
1854 under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and  
1855 extended.

1856 SECTION 23. Sections 17 and 19 of this act shall take effect  
1857 and be in force from and after July 1, 2001.