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SENATE BILL NO. 2311  
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-3-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REVISE THE CAP FOR AN ANNUAL SUPPLEMENT PAYABLE BY THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS OF ANY COUNTY TO ITS SHERIFF; AND FOR RELATED  
4 PURPOSES.

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

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

8 25-3-25. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsections  
9 (2) through ( \* \* \*3) of this section, the salaries of sheriffs of  
10 the various counties are fixed as full compensation for their  
11 services.

12 The annual salary for each sheriff shall be based upon the  
13 total population of his county according to the latest federal  
14 decennial census in the following categories and for the following  
15 amounts; however, no sheriff shall be paid less than the salary  
16 authorized under this section to be paid the sheriff based upon  
17 the population of the county according to the most recent federal  
18 decennial census:



19 (a) For counties with a total population of more than  
20 one hundred thousand (100,000), a salary of One Hundred Four  
21 Thousand Dollars (\$104,000.00).

22 (b) For counties with a total population of more than  
23 forty-four thousand (44,000) and not more than one hundred  
24 thousand (100,000), a salary of Ninety-five Thousand Dollars  
25 (\$95,000.00).

26 (c) For counties with a total population of more than  
27 thirty thousand (30,000) and not more than forty-four thousand  
28 (44,000), a salary of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00).

29 (d) For counties with a total population of more than  
30 twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) and not more than thirty  
31 thousand (30,000), a salary of Eighty-five Thousand Dollars  
32 (\$85,000.00).

33 (e) For counties with a total population of not more  
34 than twelve thousand five hundred (12,500), a salary of Eighty  
35 Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00).

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37 ( \* \* \*2) In addition to the salary provided in subsection  
38 (1) of this section, the board of supervisors of any county, in  
39 its discretion, may pay an annual supplement to the sheriff of the  
40 county in an amount not to exceed \* \* \* Thirty-five Thousand  
41 Dollars (\$35,000.00). The amount of the supplement shall be  
42 spread on the minutes of the board. \* \* \*

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44 ( \* \* \*3) In addition to the salary provided in subsection  
45 (1) of this section and any supplements authorized in \* \* \*  
46 subsection (2) of this section, a sheriff may receive the premium  
47 pay provided for in Section 45-2-41 as part of the sheriff's  
48 compensation.

49 ( \* \* \*4) (a) The salaries provided in this section shall  
50 be payable monthly on the first day of each calendar month by  
51 chancery clerk's warrant drawn on the general fund of the county;  
52 however, the board of supervisors, by resolution duly adopted and  
53 entered on its minutes, may provide that such salaries shall be  
54 paid semimonthly on the first and fifteenth day of each month. If  
55 a pay date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, salary payments  
56 shall be made on the workday immediately preceding the weekend or  
57 legal holiday.

58 (b) At least Ten Dollars (\$10.00) from each fee  
59 collected and deposited into the county's general fund under the  
60 provisions of paragraphs (a), (c) and (g) of subsection (1) of  
61 Section 25-7-19 shall be used for the sheriffs' salaries  
62 authorized in Section 25-3-25; as such Ten Dollar (\$10.00) amount  
63 was authorized during the 2007 Regular Session in Chapter 331,  
64 Laws of 2007, for the purpose of providing additional monies to  
65 the counties for sheriffs' salaries.

66 ( \* \* \*5) (a) All sheriffs, each year, shall attend twenty  
67 (20) hours of continuing education courses in law enforcement.  
68 Such courses shall be approved by the Mississippi Board on Law



69 Enforcement Officer Standards and Training. Such education  
70 courses may be provided by an accredited law enforcement academy  
71 or by the Mississippi Sheriffs' Association.

72 (b) The Mississippi Board on Law Enforcement Officer  
73 Standards and Training shall reimburse each county for the  
74 expenses incurred by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs for attendance  
75 at any approved training programs as required by this subsection.

76 (6) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the  
77 contrary, no sheriff shall receive for his services an annual  
78 salary less than the salary paid to that sheriff on the effective  
79 date of this act.

80 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
81 and after July 1, 2024.

