

- 1 SB154
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- 3 By Senator Albritton
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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would relate to the compensation of the sheriff of a Category 1 or Category 2 county under the provisions of Chapter 2A of Title 11 of the Code of Alabama 1975, commonly known as the Omnibus Pay Act.

The bill would authorize the county commission in a Category 1 or Category 2 county to increase the salary of the sheriff of the county effective beginning the next term of office of the sheriff under certain conditions.

17 TO BE ENTITLED

18 AN ACT

Relating to the compensation of the sheriff in any Category 1 or Category 2 county under the provisions of Chapter 2A of Title 11, Code of Alabama 1975, commonly known as the Omnibus Pay Act; to amend Section 11-2A-2 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to authorize the county commission of a Category 1 or Category 2 county to increase the salary of the sheriff effective beginning the next term of office under certain conditions.

A BILL

28 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

29		Section	1.	Section	11-2A-2	of	the	Code	of	Alabama	1975,
30	is ame	ended to	read	d as fol.	lows:						

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Effective October 1, 2000, the annual compensation which a county shall pay to a county commissioner, a judge of probate, a sheriff, a tax assessor, a tax collector, a revenue commissioner, a license commissioner, and an elected assistant tax assessor or collector shall be as set out below:

- (1) SHERIFF. a. The annual minimum compensation for each sheriff shall be fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) which shall be in lieu of any salary and expense allowance currently provided to a sheriff receiving total compensation less than the minimum. Beginning with the next term of office for each sheriff, except as provided in Section 11-2A-4, the salary herein provided shall be the minimum compensation payable to the sheriff in lieu of any salary, expense allowance, or other compensation provided by law.
- b. In addition to any other provision of this chapter or any other law relating to the salary of the sheriff of a Category 1 or Category 2 county, the county commission of a Category 1 or Category 2 county may increase the salary of the sheriff of the county effective beginning the next term of office of the sheriff not less than three months prior to the beginning of qualifying for the party primary election.
- (2) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND JUDGES OF PROBATE. The annual minimum compensation for county commissioners and judges of probate in Categories 1 and 2 shall be as provided by local law. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter and



- 57 subject to the provisions of Section 11-2A-4, the annual 58 compensation for county commissioners and judges of probate in 59 Category 3 shall be increased by 20 percent effective October 60 1, 2001, if the compensation, including expense allowance, of the office has not been increased by other general or local 61 62 law during the period from October 1, 1996, to October 1, 63 2001; the annual minimum compensation for county commissioners 64 and judges of probate in Category 4 shall be that amount prescribed by general law on September 30, 2000, plus a 20 65 percent increase; the annual minimum compensation for county 66 67 commissioners and judges of probate in Category 5 shall be that amount prescribed by general law on September 30, 2000, 68 plus a 17 percent increase; and the annual minimum 69 70 compensation for county commissioners and judges of probate in 71 Category 6 shall be that amount prescribed by general law on September 30, 2000, plus a 15 percent increase. 72
- 73 (3) TAX ASSESSORS, TAX COLLECTORS, REVENUE
  74 COMMISSIONERS, LICENSE COMMISSIONERS, AND ELECTED ASSISTANT
  75 TAX COLLECTORS OR ASSESSORS.

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a. On and after June 1, 2000, each county commission is authorized to provide an expense allowance to the tax assessor, tax collector, revenue commissioner, license commissioner, elected assistant tax assessor, and elected assistant tax collector in amounts not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per annum. The expense allowance may be phased in over a two-year period as determined by the county commission. At the beginning of the official's next term of office following the provision of the expense allowance

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- 85 authorized herein, the expense allowance shall be included in 86 the base salary of the official and the expense allowance 87 thereupon voided. Deductions from the expense allowances 88 provided under this chapter shall be made for supernumerary 89 programs, the State Employees' Retirement System, or other retirement programs as provided by law, the same as if the 90 91 expense allowances were salary. Notwithstanding the above, in 92 Category 3, an expense allowance for any official covered by 93 this subdivision shall be provided in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per annum effective October 1, 94 95 2001, if compensation for the office has not been increased by other general or local law during the period from October 1, 96 97 1996, to October 1, 2001.
- 98 b. Any increase in base salary or expense allowance for 99 a tax assessor, tax collector, revenue commissioner, license 100 commissioner, elected assistant tax assessor, or elected 101 assistant tax collector contained in any act passed in the 102 1999 2nd Special Session of the Legislature or any other act 103 passed in the 2000 Regular Session shall be credited against 104 any expense allowance provided under this subdivision, so that 105 the total increase in compensation for a tax assessor, tax 106 collector, revenue commissioner, license commissioner, elected 107 assistant tax assessor, and elected assistant tax collector 108 does not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- 109 (4) Any laws to the contrary notwithstanding, no person
  110 holding supernumerary office shall be entitled to any
  111 increases in compensation or expenses as a result of the
  112 implementation of any salary adjustments provided for in this



113 chapter.

- increases the salary of an incumbent office holder, the increase shall be paid as an expense allowance until the beginning of the next term of office whereupon the amount of the expense allowance shall be included in the base salary for the office holder and the expense allowance shall be voided.

  Deductions from the increase shall be made for supernumerary programs as provided by law as if the increase were salary.

  Notwithstanding the foregoing, a county shall pay the salary increase during a term of office at the beginning of the next fiscal year if payment of the increase is sanctioned by an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 2022.
  - (6) Notwithstanding this section or any other provision of this chapter, the increases in fees under Section 12-19-90 provided for by Act 2000-108 shall not apply to any county in Category 1 or 3 on June 1, 2000.
  - resolution, elect for the county to be exempt from the provisions of this section and Section 11-2A-3 and the increases in fees in Section 12-19-90 as provided for by Act 2000-108; provided that the local governing body shall only be authorized to exempt the county from all of the sections referenced above, and provided further that the resolution is adopted after June 1, 2000, but prior to October 1, 2000. Any local governing body that exercises its authority under this subdivision may elect to have the county become subject to the provisions referenced above by the adoption of a resolution



141	and the provisions shall become effective in the county on
142	September 30, next following the adoption of the resolution.
143	(8) Any county identified as a "Category 1" county
144	under the provisions of Section 11-2A-1, is exempt from the
145	provisions of this section except for the provisions of
146	paragraph (1)b."
147	Section 2. This act shall become effective on June 1,
148	2024.