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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE LARGENT.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 58.095 and 58.096, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to county coroner compensation.

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

Section A. Sections 58.095 and 58.096, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 58.095 and 58.096, to read as follows:

58.095. 1. The county coroner in any county, other than in a first classification chartered county, shall receive an annual salary computed on a basis as set forth in the following schedule. The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of coroner on January 1, 1997:

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

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

17 2. [One] **Two** thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable
18 to the coroner only if the coroner has completed at least twenty hours of classroom instruction
19 each calendar year relating to the operations of the coroner's office when approved by a
20 professional association of the county coroners of Missouri unless exempted from the training
21 by the professional association. The professional association approving the program shall
22 provide a certificate of completion to each coroner who completes the training program and shall
23 send a list of certified coroners to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending
24 the training session [may] **shall** be reimbursed to the county coroner in the same manner as other
25 expenses as may be appropriated for that purpose.

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

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

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

 58.096. Each deputy county coroner upon certification by the Missouri Coroners and
2 Medical Examiners Association of attendance at a training program required by the provisions
3 of subsection 2 of section 58.095 shall receive annual compensation, in addition to other
4 compensation, of [one] **two** thousand dollars per year so long as subsection 2 of section 58.095
5 remains in effect. This additional compensation shall be paid in the same manner and at the

6 same times as other compensation is paid to the deputy county coroner. The provisions of this
7 section shall not permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation received by any
8 person holding the office of deputy county coroner on January 1, 1989.

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