

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 553
101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1402H.03C

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 27.010 and 285.040, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to employee residency requirements.

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

Section A. Sections 27.010 and 285.040, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 27.010, 84.575, and 285.043, to read as follows:

27.010. The attorney general for the state of Missouri shall be elected at each general
2 election at which a governor and other state officers are elected, and his term shall begin at 12:00
3 noon on the second Monday in January next succeeding his election, and shall continue for four
4 years, or until his successor is elected and qualified. The attorney general shall **not be required**
5 **to** reside at the seat of government ~~and~~ **but shall** keep his office in the supreme court
6 building~~;~~ and receive an annual salary of sixty-five thousand dollars plus any salary adjustment
7 provided pursuant to section 105.005, payable out of the state treasury. The salary shall
8 constitute the total compensation for all duties to be performed by him and there shall be no
9 further payments made to or accepted by him for the performance of any duty now required of
10 him under any existing law. The attorney general shall devote his full time to his office, and,
11 except in the performance of his official duties, shall not engage in the practice of law.

84.575. 1. The board of police commissioners established under section 84.350 shall
2 **not require, as a condition of employment, that any currently employed or prospective law**
3 **enforcement officer or other employee reside within any jurisdiction. Except as authorized**
4 **under subsection 2 of this section, any residency rule or requirement imposed by the board**
5 **on law enforcement officers or other employees in effect on or after August 28, 2021, shall**
6 **not apply and shall not be enforced.**

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.

7 **2. The board of police commissioners may impose a residency rule or requirement**
 8 **on law enforcement officers or other employees, but the rule or requirement shall be no**
 9 **more restrictive than requiring such personnel to reside within one hour of city limits.**

285.043. No employee of a political subdivision of this state shall be required, as a
 2 **condition of employment, to reside within a specified jurisdiction. This section shall not**
 3 **apply to and shall be superseded by:**

4 **(1) Any residency requirement under chapter 84; and**

5 **(2) Any requirement for an elected official.**

~~[285.040. 1. As used in this section, "public safety employee" shall mean~~
 2 ~~a person trained or authorized by law or rule to render emergency medical~~
 3 ~~assistance or treatment, including, but not limited to, firefighters, ambulance~~
 4 ~~attendants and attendant drivers, emergency medical technicians, emergency~~
 5 ~~medical technician paramedics, dispatchers, registered nurses, physicians, and~~
 6 ~~sheriffs and deputy sheriffs.~~

7 ~~2. No public safety employee of a city not within a county who is hired~~
 8 ~~prior to September 1, 2023, shall be subject to a residency requirement of~~
 9 ~~retaining a primary residence in a city not within a county but may be required~~
 10 ~~to maintain a primary residence located within a one-hour response time.~~

11 ~~3. Public safety employees of a city not within a county who are hired~~
 12 ~~after August 31, 2023, may be subject to a residency rule no more restrictive than~~
 13 ~~a requirement of retaining a primary residence in a city not within a county for~~
 14 ~~a total of seven years and of then allowing the public safety employee to maintain~~
 15 ~~a primary residence outside the city not within a county so long as the primary~~
 16 ~~residence is located within a one-hour response time.]~~

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