

Emergency.

SEC. 20. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety, and the support of state government and its existing institutions and shall take effect April 1, 1949.

Passed the Senate March 10, 1949.

Passed the House March 10, 1949.

Approved by the Governor March 19, 1949.

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CHAPTER 200.

[ S. B. 28. ]

COMPENSATION OF COUNTY OFFICERS.

AN ACT relating to the fixing of compensation of county officers; amending section 6, chapter 148, of Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1925, as amended.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 6, chapter 148, of Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1925, as last amended by section 1, chapter 87, Laws of 1945 (sec. 4200-5a, Rem. Supp. 1941), is amended to read as follows:

Salaries of county officers.

Section 6. The salaries of county officers of class A counties and counties of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth classes, as determined by the last preceding Federal census, or as may be determined under the provisions of sections 1 to 6, inclusive, chapter 177, Laws of 1923, shall be per annum respectively as follows:

Class A counties.

Class A counties: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Sheriff, Assessor, Superintendent of Schools, members of Board of County Commissioners, Coroner, six thousand one hundred dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, sixty-six hundred dollars;

First class counties.

Counties of the first-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Sheriff, Assessor, Superintendent of Schools, members of Board of County Commissioners, fifty-four hundred dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, six

thousand dollars; Coroner, twenty-four hundred dollars;

Counties of the second-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Sheriff, Assessor, Superintendent of Schools, members of Board of County Commissioners, forty-five hundred dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, forty-eight hundred dollars; Coroner, fifteen hundred dollars;

Second class counties.

Counties of the third-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, members of Board of County Commissioners, four thousand dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, forty-two hundred dollars; Coroner, twelve hundred dollars;

Third class counties.

Counties of the fourth-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, members of the Board of County Commissioners, Prosecuting Attorney, thirty-six hundred dollars;

Fourth class counties.

Counties of the fifth-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Sheriff, Prosecuting Attorney, Assessor, Superintendent of Schools, members of Board of County Commissioners, thirty-two hundred dollars;

Fifth class counties.

Counties of the sixth-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, thirty-one hundred dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, two thousand dollars; members of Board of County Commissioners, twelve hundred dollars;

Sixth class counties.

Counties of the seventh-class: Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, Sheriff, Superintendent of Schools, three thousand dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, two thousand dollars; members of the Board of County Commissioners, twelve hundred dollars;

Seventh class counties.

Counties of the eighth-class: Auditor, Treasurer, Assessor, Sheriff, twenty-eight hundred dollars; Clerk, Superintendent of Schools, twenty-four hundred dollars; Prosecuting Attorney, two thousand dollars; members of Board of County Commissioners, twelve hundred dollars;

Eighth class counties.

Ninth class counties.

Counties of the ninth-class: Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, twenty-four hundred dollars; Superintendent of Schools, Prosecuting Attorney, twelve hundred dollars; members of the Board of County Commissioners, ten dollars per diem;

Expenses of county officers.

All county officers shall be entitled to their necessary reasonable traveling expenses in the performance of their official duties, bills therefor to be audited by the County Commissioners: *Provided*, That when using their own cars, they shall be allowed not to exceed eight cents per mile for each mile of necessary travel. In all cases where the duties of any office are greater than can be performed by the person elected to fill the same, said officer may employ, with the consent of the County Commissioners, the necessary help, who shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the Board of County Commissioners: *Provided*, That no deputy or clerk employed in the office of any Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Assessor, Coroner, or Superintendent of Schools shall receive larger compensation than provided for the officer employing him.

Maximum salary of clerks and deputies.

Appointing officer responsible for deputies and clerks.

The officer appointing such deputies or clerks shall be responsible for the acts of such appointee upon his official bond.

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