

Legislation Text

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IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

AN ORDINANCE repealing sections 209. and 229., <u>Jackson County Code</u>, 1984, relating to the salary of certain elected officials, and enacting, in lieu thereof, two new sections relating to the same subject.

ORDINANCE 3522, August 9, 2004

INTRODUCED BY Fred Arbanas, Dennis Waits, Dan Tarwater, Scott Burnett, Ronald E. Finley, Bob Spence, and Henry C. Rizzo, County Legislators

WHEREAS, during their deliberations in 1970, the framers of the Constitutional Home Rule Charter

of Jackson County set the compensation of the County Executive at 111% of the salary being paid to

circuit court judges of the State of Missouri, then \$22,500; and,

WHEREAS, by the time the charter became effective on January 1, 1973, the salary of circuit judges had risen to \$25,000 pursuant to an act of the Missouri General Assembly; and,

WHEREAS, the salary for members of the Legislature, originally set by the charter at \$6,000, has also declined compared to the salary of circuit judges, which is now \$108,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Legislature now believes it appropriate that, for their upcoming term, the salaries of these officers be set at the same ratio as those salaries bore to that of a circuit judge in 1973, 100% for the County Executive and 24% for members of the Legislature; and,

WHEREAS, if these salaries were to be effective now, the County Executive would be paid \$108,000 annually and the members of the Legislature \$25,920 annually; now therefore,

WHEREAS, in Ordinance 3454, dated December 8, 2003, the Legislature used a similar formula to set new salaries for the Prosecuting Attorney and Sheriff, effective January 1, 2005; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, as follows:

Section A. <u>Enacting Clause</u>. Sections 209. and 229., <u>Jackson County Code</u>, 1984, is hereby repealed, and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 209. and 229., to read as follows:

209. Legislature, Salary.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 16 (15), County Legislators will receive an <u>annual</u> salary [of \$11,440.00 per annum] <u>equal to 24% of the salary paid by the State of Missouri to circuit judges of the Sixteenth</u> <u>Judicial Circuit of Missouri as of January 1 of [[each]]</u> the year prior to the beginning of the <u>Legislators' term</u> effective January 1, [1987] 2007. <u>At no time shall the salary of Legislators ever be</u> <u>reduced as a result of this provision.</u>

229. County Executive Salary.

Effective Jan. 1, [1995] <u>2007</u> the County Executive of Jackson County shall receive an annual salary [of \$88,982] <u>equal to 100% of the salary paid by the State of Missouri to circuit judges of the</u> <u>Sixteenth Judicial Circuit of Missouri as of January 1 of [[each]] the year prior to the beginning of the</u> <u>County Executive's term. At no time shall the salary of the County Executive ever be decreased as a</u> <u>result of this provision.</u>

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Acting County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached Ordinance, Ordinance # 3522 of August 9, 2004 was duly passed on ______August 23______, 2004 by the Jackson County Legislature. In the votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____7 ____ Nays _____1____

Abstaining ____0 ____ Absents ____1____

This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for her signature.

Date

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance #3522.

Date

Katheryn J. Shields, County Executive