

SENATE BILL NO. 53—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

PREFILED JANUARY 30, 2003

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Increases compensation of district attorneys and sheriffs. (BDR 20-21)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.
Effect on the State: No.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 1, 2, 3)
(REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public officers; increasing the compensation of district attorneys and sheriffs; authorizing a county to request and receive a waiver from the increases in compensation in the event of insufficient financial resources; providing that a waiver may not be applied for in certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 245.043 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 245.043 1. As used in this section:
3 (a) “County” includes Carson City.
4 (b) “County commissioner” includes the Mayor and supervisors
5 of Carson City.
6 2. Except as otherwise provided by any special law, the elected
7 officers of the counties of this state are entitled to receive annual
8 salaries in the base amounts specified in the following table. The
9 annual salaries are in full payment for all services required by law to
10 be performed by such officers. Except as otherwise provided by law,
11 all fees and commissions collected by such officers in the
12 performance of their duties must be paid into the county treasury
13 each month without deduction of any nature.



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ANNUAL SALARIES

	County			District	County	County	County	County	Public	
4	Class	County	Commissioner	Attorney	Sheriff	Clerk	Assessor	Recorder	Treasurer	Administrator
5										
6	1	Clark	\$54,000	[\$100,800]	[\$84,000]	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000
7				\$128,272	\$109,131					
8	2	Washoe	39,600	[96,000]	[78,000]	66,000	66,000	66,000	66,000	66,000
9				116,742	94,316					
10	3	Carson City	18,000	[72,360]	[60,000]	51,360	51,360	-----	51,360	-----
11				85,534	70,923					
12		Churchill	18,000	[72,360]	[60,000]	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----	-----
13				85,534	70,923					
14		Douglas	18,000	[72,360]	[60,000]	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----	-----
15				85,534	70,923					
16		Elko	18,000	[72,360]	[60,000]	51,360	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----
17				85,534	70,923					
18		Humboldt	18,000	83,524	67,923	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
19		Lyon	18,000	[72,360]	[60,000]	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----	-----
20				85,534	70,923					
21		Nye	18,000	[72,360]	[60,000]	51,360	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----
22				85,534	70,923					
23	4	Humboldt	18,000	68,340	54,000	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
24	4	Lander	18,000	[68,340]	[54,000]	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
25				80,782	63,831					
26		White Pine	18,000	[68,340]	[54,000]	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
27				80,782	63,831					
28	5	Eureka	15,240	[60,300]	[43,200]	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
29				71,278	51,065					
30		Lincoln	15,240	[60,300]	[43,200]	38,400	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----
31				71,278	51,065					
32		Mineral	15,240	[60,300]	[43,200]	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
33				71,278	51,065					
34		Pershing	15,240	[60,300]	[43,200]	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
35				71,278	51,065					
36		Storey	15,240	65,068	51,065	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
37	6	Esmeralda	12,000	[47,880]	[38,400]	33,600	33,600	33,600	-----	-----
38				56,597	45,391					
39		[Storey	15,240	47,880	43,200	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----

Sec. 2. NRS 245.043 is hereby amended to read as follows:

245.043 1. As used in this section:

(a) "County" includes Carson City.

(b) "County commissioner" includes the Mayor and supervisors of Carson City.



2. Except as otherwise provided by any special law, the elected officers of the counties of this state are entitled to receive annual salaries in the base amounts specified in the following table. The annual salaries are in full payment for all services required by law to be performed by such officers. Except as otherwise provided by law, all fees and commissions collected by such officers in the performance of their duties must be paid into the county treasury each month without deduction of any nature.

ANNUAL SALARIES

Class	County	County Commissioner	District Attorney	Sheriff	County Clerk	County Assessor	County Recorder	County Treasurer	Public Administrator
1	Clark	\$54,000	128,272 \$155,744	109,131 \$134,262	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000	\$72,000
2	Washoe	39,600	116,742 137,484	94,316 110,632	66,000	66,000	66,000	66,000	66,000
3	Carson City	18,000	85,534 98,707	70,923 81,846	51,360	51,360	-----	51,360	-----
	Churchill	18,000	85,534 98,707	70,923 81,846	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----	-----
	Douglas	18,000	85,534 98,707	70,923 81,846	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----	-----
	Elko	18,000	85,534 98,707	70,923 81,846	51,360	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----
	Humboldt	18,000	83,524 98,707	67,923 81,846	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
	Lyon	18,000	85,534 98,707	70,923 81,846	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----	-----
	Nye	18,000	85,534 98,707	70,923 81,846	51,360	51,360	51,360	51,360	-----
4	Lander	18,000	80,782 93,223	63,831 73,662	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
	White Pine	18,000	80,782 93,223	63,831 73,662	42,840	42,840	42,840	42,840	-----
5	Eureka	15,240	71,278 82,256	51,065 58,929	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
	Lincoln	15,240	71,278 82,256	51,065 58,929	38,400	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----
	Mineral	15,240	71,278 82,256	51,065 58,929	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
	Pershing	15,240	71,278 82,256	51,065 58,929	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----
	Storey	15,240	65,068 82,256	51,065 58,929	38,400	38,400	38,400	-----	-----



1				82,256	58,929					
2	6	Esmeralda	12,000	56,597	45,394	33,600	33,600	33,600	-----	-----
3				65,314	52,382					
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5 **Sec. 3.** Except as otherwise provided in section 4 of this act,
6 each county shall:

7 1. Commence payment of the increased annual salaries of the
8 elected officers of the county set forth in the table of annual salaries
9 contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, on
10 July 1, 2003.

11 2. Commence payment of the increased annual salaries of the
12 elected officers of the county set forth in the table of annual salaries
13 contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 2 of this act, on
14 July 1, 2004.

15 **Sec. 4.** 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a
16 board of county commissioners may apply to the Committee on
17 Local Government Finance for a waiver from:

18 (a) The requirement to increase the annual salaries of elected
19 officers of the county to the annual salaries set forth in the table
20 contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, if
21 the board determines that the financial resources of the county are
22 insufficient to pay those increased annual salaries in Fiscal Year
23 2003-2004.

24 (b) The requirement to increase the annual salaries of elected
25 officers of the county to the annual salaries set forth in the table
26 contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 2 of this act, if
27 the board determines that the financial resources of the county are
28 insufficient to pay those increased annual salaries in Fiscal Year
29 2004-2005.

30 The Committee on Local Government Finance shall grant such a
31 waiver if it finds that the financial resources of the county are
32 insufficient to pay those increased annual salaries in the applicable
33 fiscal year.

34 2. A board of county commissioners that has been granted a
35 waiver for a fiscal year may apply to the Committee on Local
36 Government Finance for an additional waiver for the next
37 consecutive fiscal year if it finds that the financial resources of the
38 county continue to be insufficient to pay the increased annual
39 salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table
40 contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 or 2 of this act.
41 There is no limitation on the number of waivers for consecutive
42 fiscal years that the board of county commissioners may be granted
43 if the board of county commissioners finds that the financial
44 resources of the county continue to be insufficient to pay the
45 increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set



1 forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section
2 1 or 2 of this act, in that fiscal year.

3 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, after
4 commencing payment of the increased annual salaries of the elected
5 officers of the county set forth in the table contained in NRS
6 245.043, as amended by section 1 or 2 of this act, a board of county
7 commissioners may not apply for a waiver in any subsequent fiscal
8 year. The fact that a board of county commissioners has, in Fiscal
9 Year 2003-2004, paid the annual salaries set forth in the table
10 contained in NRS 245.043 as amended by section 1 of this act, does
11 not preclude the board of county commissioners from applying for
12 and being granted a waiver from paying the annual salaries set forth
13 in the table contained in NRS 245.043 as amended by section 2 of
14 this act in Fiscal Year 2004-2005 or in any consecutive year if the
15 Committee on Local Government Finance determines that
16 the financial resources of the county are insufficient to pay the
17 increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county.

18 4. The increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the
19 county set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended
20 by section 1 or 2 of this act, must not be paid retroactively for a
21 period to which a waiver is applicable.

22 **Sec. 5.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any
23 additional expenses of a local government that are related to the
24 provisions of this act.

25 **Sec. 6.** 1. This section and sections 1, 3, 4 and 5 of this act
26 become effective on July 1, 2003.

27 2. Section 1 of this act expires by limitation on June 30, 2004.

28 3. Section 2 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2004.

