

HB 560 INTRODUCED BY HARPER  
ESTABLISH SALARIES OF SHERIFFS' DEPUTIES

1/31 INTRODUCED  
1/31 REFERRED TO STATE ADMINISTRATION  
2/02 FISCAL NOTE REQUESTED  
2/02 REREFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
2/06 FISCAL NOTE RECEIVED  
2/11 HEARING  
2/11 COMMITTEE REPORT--BILL NOT PASSED  
2/12 ADVERSE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED

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1 House BILL NO. 560  
2 INTRODUCED BY Hal Hays

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE METHOD  
5 BY WHICH A SHERIFF SHALL DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION OF  
6 DEPUTY SHERIFFS; PROVIDING THAT THE MINIMUM SALARY WILL  
7 INCREASE ANNUALLY BASED UPON A PERCENTAGE OF THE CONSUMER  
8 PRICE INDEX; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2508, MCA."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

11 Section 1. Section 7-4-2508, MCA, is amended to read:

12 "7-4-2508. Compensation of undersheriff and deputy  
13 sheriff. (1) The sheriff shall fix the compensation of the  
14 undersheriff at 95% of the salary of that sheriff.

15 (2) ~~{a}~~ The sheriff shall fix the compensation of the  
16 deputy sheriff ~~based-upon-a-percentage-of-the-salary-of-that~~  
17 ~~sheriff-according-to-the-following-schedule:~~

18 ~~in-counties-with-population-of:~~

19 Below-15,000	85%-to-90%
20 15,000-to-29,999	76%-to-90%
21 30,000-to-74,999	74%-to-90%
22 75,000-and-over	72%-to-90%

23 ~~{b}~~ ~~The-sheriff-shall-adjust-the-compensation-of-the~~  
24 ~~deputy-sheriff-within-the-range-prescribed-in-subsection-{a}~~  
25 according to a rank structure in the department. The salary

1 of the deputy may be no more than 90% of the salary of the  
2 sheriff and may not be less than the department's deputy  
3 entry level base salary plus 3.5% of such salary. The  
4 department's deputy entry level base salary must, after June  
5 30, 1988, and on each July 1 thereafter, be increased by 80%  
6 of the last previous calendar year's consumer price index  
7 for all urban consumers as established by the U.S.  
8 department of labor, bureau of labor statistics, or other  
9 index that the bureau of business and economic research of  
10 the university of Montana may in the future recognize as the  
11 successor to that index. The cost-of-living increment for  
12 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988, and for each  
13 subsequent fiscal year must be added to all cost-of-living  
14 increments granted for previous years.

15 (3) For purposes of this section, the term:

16 (a) "compensation" means the base rate of pay and does  
17 not mean longevity payments or payments for hours worked  
18 overtime; and

19 (b) "deputy entry level base salary" means the salary  
20 the department pays to a probationary deputy sheriff."

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB560, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act establishing the method by which a sheriff shall determine the compensation of deputy sheriffs; providing that the minimum salary will increase annually based on a percentage of the consumer price index.

ASSUMPTIONS/FISCAL IMPACT:

Because no statewide data are available on deputy entry level base salaries and level at which current deputy sheriff salaries are in relation to sheriff salaries by county population type, no fiscal impact can be estimated.

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES:

1989 biennium impact assumed to be minimal.

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Statutory inflation adjustments tied to CPI will affect local government personal services costs for deputy sheriffs beginning in FY89.

TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS IN PROPOSED LEGISLATION OR CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING LEGISLATION:

None noted.

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Hal Harper DATE 2/06  
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