## HB 561 INTRODUCED BY SIMON, ET AL. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO UNIFORMLY SET ELECTED OFFICERS' SALARIES

1/31	INTRODUCED		
1,31	REFERRED TO STATE ADMINISTRATION		
2/02	REREFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT		
2/11	HEARING		
2/11	COMMITTEE REPORTBILL NOT PASSED		
2/12	ADVERSE COMMITTEE REPORT REJECTED	59	38
2/14	2ND READING PASSED AS AMENDED	61	34
2/17	3RD READING PASSED	66	29
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE		
2/19	REFERRED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT		
3/17	HEARING		
3/21	ADVERSE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED	38	4
	AS AMENDED		
3/23	RETURNED TO HOUSE NOT CONCURRED		
	AS AMENDED		

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

DATE."

1 2 INTRODUCED BY 3 # BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS, EXCEPT 5 THE COUNTY ASSESSOR AND DEPUTY COUNTY ASSESSOR, BY PROVIDING 5 THAT THE SALARIES BE DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING 7 BODY; AMENDING SECTIONS 3-10-207, 7-4-2108, 8 7-4-2502. 7-4-2503, 7-4-2505, 7-4-2706, 7-14-2126, 7-14-2610, AND g 7-32-104. MCA: REPEALING SECTIONS 7-4-2107, 7-4-2504, 10 7-4-2507, AND 7-4-2510, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE 11

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

Section 1. Section 3-10-207, MCA, is amended to read:
"3-10-207. Salaries. (1) The board of county
commissioners shall set salaries for justices of the peace
by resolution and-may;--for--all-or-the-remainder-of-each
fiscal-year;-in-conjunction-with-setting-salaries-for--other
officers--as--provided-in-7-4-2504(1);-set-their-salaries-ab
the-prior-fiscal-year-level-if-that-does--not--result--in--a
reduction--in-salary as provided in 7-4-2503. Salaries must
meet the minimum requirements established by this section.

(2) If the salary of the justice of the peace was

determined on a fee basis for the years 1971 and 1972, he

- shall receive a monthly salary of not less than one-eighteenth of the total fees, civil and criminal, collected by the justice or his predecessor in office during the 2 years 1971 and 1972.
- 5 (3) If the salary of the justice of the peace was 6 determined on a nonfee basis for the years 1971 and 1972, 7 the justice shall be paid not less than the highest salary 8 earned by the justice or his predecessor for the years 1971 9 and 1972.
- 10 (4) The salary of the justice of the peace may not be
  11 diminished during his term of office and may not be less
  12 than the salary for the district clerk of the court in that
  13 county, except as provided for in subsections—(1)—and
  14 subsection (5).
- 15 (5) In the event his court is not open for business 16 full time, the justice's salary shall be commensurate to the 17 workload and office hours of the court."
- Section 2. Section 7-4-2108, MCA, is amended to read: 18 19 "7-4-2108. Mileage allowance for county commissioners -- expenses. (1) In addition to the salary provided by 20 21 7-4-2107(1) 7-4-2503, each member of the board of county commissioners in counties of the first, second, third, and 22 23 fourth class shall receive a mileage allowance as provided 24 in 2-18-503 for the distance necessarily traveled in going 25 to and returning from the county seat and his place of

LC 1165/01 LC 1165/01

1.3

residence, each day that such trip is actually made and while engaged in the performance of his official duties.

- entitled to a mileage allowance as provided in 2-18-503 for the distance necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the county seat and his place of residence each day that such trip is actually made to perform official duties. Any county commissioner whose place of residence is 50 miles or more from the county seat, as measured by the usual route of travel, and who elects to remain more than one day in the county seat to attend sessions of the board or perform his official duties is entitled to receive, in addition to mileage for one round trip between his place of residence and the county seat, \$18 per day as expenses for each day's attendance on sessions of the board while engaged in the performance of his official duties.
- (3) All claims for lodging expense reimbursement allowed under this section must be documented by an appropriate receipt.
- (4) When other than commercial, nonreceiptable lodging facilities are utilized by a county commissioner, the amount of \$7 will be authorized for lodging expenses for each day in which travel involves an overnight stay in lieu of the amount authorized in this section. However, when overnight accommodations are provided at the expense of any government

entity, no reimbursement may be claimed for lodging.

(5) This section does not apply to counties that have adopted charter form of government."

Section 3. Section 7-4-2502, MCA, is amended to read: "7-4-2502. Payment of salaries of county officials and assistants. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the salaries of the county officers and their assistants may be paid monthly, twice monthly, or every 2 weeks out of the general fund of the county and upon the order of the board of county commissioners.

- (2) (a) The salaries of the county attorney and deputy county attorneys authorized by 7-4-2703 are payable monthly, with the salary of the county attorney payable one-half from the general fund of the county and the other one-half from the state treasury upon the warrant of the state auditor. The annualized portion payable from the state treasury may not exceed one-half the annual salary of the attorney general in the case of full-time county attorneys or one-quarter the annual salary of the attorney general in the case of part-time county attorneys.
- (b) The county commissioners of each county shall, within 30 days after the election or appointment to fill a vacancy for any cause in the office of county attorney, certify the election or appointment to the state auditor, who shall thereafter draw warrants for such salary in the

same manner as for state officers. In case of a vacancy, the county commissioners shall immediately notify the state auditor, and the auditor shall compute the salary due on the basis of the notification.

(3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to fix the compensation of all county officers not otherwise fixed by law and-to-provide-for-the-payment-of-the-same--and may7--for--all--or--the--remainder--of--each-fiscal-year7-in conjunction-with-setting--salaries--for--other--officers--as provided--in--7-4-2504(1)7--set--their-salaries-at-the-prior fiscal-year-level."

Section 4. Section 7-4-2503, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-4-2503. Salary--schedule County governing board to

set salaries for certain elected county officers -- changes

to be uniform. (1) The-salary-paid-to-the-county-treasurer;

county-clerk-and-recorder;--clerk--of--the--district--countycounty--assessor;--county--superintendent--of--schools;--and

county-sheriff;-the-county-surveyor-in-counties-where-county

surveyors-receive-salaries-as-provided-in-7-4-2812;-and--the

county--auditor--in--all--counties--wherein--such--office-is

authorized;-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning-duly-1;--1981;--is

computed-by-adding-the-annual-base-salary-of:

 $\label{eq:tata} fat--\$i4_7\theta\theta\theta--for--the--counties--of--the-first-through \\$   $fifth-class-to-the-population-increment-of-\$i\theta-for-each--i\theta\theta$ 

persons--or--major-fraction-thereof-included-in-the-county's population-as--determined--by--the--1980--federal--decennial census;-or

tb)--9127000--for--counties--of--the--sixth-and-seventh class-to-the-population-increment-of-920-per-100-persons--or major---fraction--thereof--in--the--county-s--population--as determined-by-the-1900-federal-decennial-census-

- (2)--(a)-An-elected-county--superintendent--of--schools shall---receive;--in--addition--to--the--salary--based--upon subsection-(t);-the-sum-of-\$400-per--year;--except--that--an elected--county-superintendent-of-schools-who-holds-a-master of-arts-degree-or-a-master-s-degree-in--education;--with--an endorsement--in--school--administration;--from-a-unit-of-the Montana-university-system-or-an-equivalent-institution--may; at--the--discretion-of-the-county-commissioners;-receive;-in addition-to-the-salary-based--upon--subsection--(t);--up--to \$2;000-per-year;
- (b)--The--county--sheriff-shall-receive;-in-addition-to
  the-salary-based-upon-subsection-(i);-the-sum-of-92;000--per
  year;
- (3)--(a)-In--each-county-with-a-population-in-excess-of 3070007-the-county-attorney-shall-be-a--full-time--official under-7-4-27047-and-his-salary-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning duly---17--19817--shall--be--\$367500---In--counties--with--a population-less-than-3070007-the-county-attorney--who--is--a

LC 1165/01

part-time--official--for--a--county-of-the-first7-second7-or
third-class-is-entitled-to-receive-an-annual-salary-equal-to
60%-of-the-annual-salary-of-a-full-time-county-attorney----A
county--attorney-who-is-a-part-time-official-for-a-county-of
the-fourth7-fifth7-sixth7-or-seventh-class--is--entitled--to
receive--an--annual-salary-equal-to-50%-of-the-annual-salary
of-a-full-time-county-attorney-

tbt--In-those-counties-where-the-office-of--the--county
attorney--has--been--established--as--a--full-time--position
pursuant-to-7-4-27867-the-salary-of-the-county-attorney--for
the-fiscal-year-beginning-duly-17-19817-shall-be-\$3675887

(c)--Beginning--on--July-17-19827-and-on-July-1-of-each succeeding-year7-each-county-attorney-shall-be--entitled--to an--increase--in--salary--calculated-by-adding-to-his-annual salary-on-July-17-19817-an-increment--of--70%--of--the--last previous--calendar-year's-consumer-price-index-for-all-urban consumers7--U-S---department--of--labor7--bureau--of---labor statistics7--or--other-index-that-the-bureau-of-business-and economic-research-of-the-university-of-Montana--may--in--the future--recognize--as-the-successor-to-that-index---However7 the-county-commissioners-may7-for-all-or--the--remainder--of each--fiscal--year7-in-conjunction-with-setting-salaries-for other-officers-as-provided-in-7-4-2504(1)7-set-the-salary-at the-prior-fiscal-year-tevel-if-that-level-is-lower-than--the level----required-----by---this---subsection---(3)(c)-----The

cost-of-living-increment-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning-July ly-19837-and-for-each-subsequent-fiscal-year-shall-be-added to-all-cost-of-living-increments-granted-for-previous--years unless-salaries-were-set-for-the-fiscal-year-at-the-level-of salaries-received-in-the-prior-fiscal-year-in-such-case-the cost-of-living--increment--that-would-have-been-received-for such-fiscal-year,-computed-on-the-prior-fiscal-year,-may-not be-added-to-previous-increments.

(d)--(i)-After-completing-4-years-of-service-as--deputy county--attorney,-each-deputy-county-attorney-is-entitled-to an-increase-in-salary-of-\$1,000-on-the-anniversary--date--of his-employment-as-deputy-county-attorney,-After-completing-5 years--of--service--as--deputy--county-attorney,-each-deputy county-attorney-is-entitled-to--an--additional--increase--in salary--of-\$1,500-on-the-anniversary-date-of-his-employment. After--completing--6--years--of--service--as--deputy--county attorney--and--for--each--year--of--service-thereafter-up-to completion-of-the-lith-year-of-service;-each--deputy--county attorney--is--entitled--to--an-additional-annual-increase-in salary-of-\$500;

(ii)-The-years-of-service-as-a-deputy--county--attorney accumulated--prior--to-July-17-19857-must-be-included-in-the calculation-of-the-longevity-increase7-but-years-of--service during--any-year-in-which-the-salary-was-set-at-the-tevel-of the-salary-of-the-prior-fiscal-year-may-not-be--included--in

any-calculation-of-longevity-increases:

1

2

3

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

+4}--For-each-10th-year-after-the-fiscal-year-beginning July-17-19817-the-latest-federal-decennial-census-statistics shall -- be-the-basis-for-computation-of-population-increments under-this-section--Buring--the--intervening--9--years,---the computation-of-population-increments-applicable-on-July-1-of each--vear-shall-be-based-on-the-last-calendar-year's-annual estimates--of--counties1---populations---compiled---by---the federal-state--cooperative--program--for--estimates--of--the university--of--Montang--bureau--of--business--and--economic research-and-the-U-St-bureau-of-the-census-or-other-estimate that--the--bureau--of--business--and--economic--research-may certify: The governing body of a county shall annually by resolution establish the salary of each elected county official, except the county assessor. Before adopting the resolution, the governing body shall hold a public hearing. Notice of the purpose of the hearing must be published as provided in 7-1-2121. The resolution must be adopted no later than March 31 and is effective July 1.

- (2) (a) The salaries of the county assessor and the deputy county assessor must be determined according to the pay matrix for state employees in Title 2, chapter 18, part 3:
- 24 (i) The grade of the county assessor is the same grade 25 as the appraisal supervisor of the department of revenue

- serving in that county, but the salary of the county

  assessor may not be less than the salary paid to that

  official on June 30, 1987.
- 4 (ii) The salary of the deputy county assessor may not
  5 exceed 90% of the salary of the assessor in the county in
  6 which the deputy serves.
- 7 (b) The method of determining salaries for the county
  8 assessor and the deputy county assessor in subsection (2)(a)
  9 may not be construed to mean that those officials are state
  10 employees.
- 11 (3) In changing the salaries of elected county
  12 officials, the governing body shall set the salaries of all
  13 county officers by using the same factor for all such
  14 salaries in a uniform manner that will ensure that the
  15 relationship between and among salaries remains the same as
  16 the level of compensation authorized on June 30, 1987."
- Section 5. Section 7-4-2505, MCA, is amended to read:

  "7-4-2505. Amount of compensation for deputies and
  sassistants. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the boards of
  county commissioners in the several counties in the state
  shall have the power to fix the compensation allowed any
  deputy or assistant of the following officers:
- 23 (a) clerk and recorder;
- 24 (b) clerk of the district court;
- 25 (c) treasurer;

-10-

- (d) assessor;
- 2 (e) county attorney;
- 3 (f) auditor.

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

- (2) (a) The salary of a deputy or an assistant listed in subsection (1), other than a deputy county attorney, may not be more than 90% of the salary of the officer under whom such deputy or assistant is serving. The salary of a deputy county attorney; including-longevity--payments--provided--in 7-4-2503+3+td+7 may not exceed the salary of the county attorney under whom he is serving.
- (b) Where any deputy or assistant is employed for a period of less than 1 year, the compensation of such deputy or assistant shall be for the time so employed, provided the rate of such compensation shall not be in excess of the rates now provided by law for similar deputies and assistants except as provided herein.
- (c) Deputy assessors' salaries shall be the--same--as
  paid-the-deputy-elerk-and-recorder as provided in 7-4-2503."
- Section 6. Section 7-4-2706, MCA, is amended to read:
  "7-4-2706. County attorney to be full or part time -resolution ----satary. (1) In any county with a population
  of less than 30,000, the county commissioners may, upon the
  consent of the county attorney, on July 1 of any year by
  resolution establish the office of county attorney as a
  full-time position subject to the provisions of 7-4-2701 and

- 1 7-4-2704. The-salary-for-this-position-is-the-salary
  2 provided-by-7-4-2503-for-the-office-of-county-attorney-in-a
  3 county-with-a-population-in-excess-of-30-000-
- 4 (2) In any county in which the office of county
  5 attorney has been established as a full-time position under
  6 subsection (1), the county commissioners may, by resolution
  7 and upon the consent of the county attorney, establish the
  8 office as a part-time position on July 1 of any year."
- 9 Section 7. Section 7-14-2126, MCA, is amended to read: "7-14-2126. Compensation for making inspections. The 10 person or persons making the inspections authorized by 11 12 7-14-2125 shall receive a daily salary equal--to--that established--in--7-4-2107(2) and actual expenses if he 13 14 receives no other compensation for that day and is not on an annual salary. The claims shall be audited and allowed in 15 16 the same manner as other claims against the county."
- Section 8. Section 7-14-2610, MCA, is amended to read:

  "7-14-2610. Payment of damages and expenses. All

  awards of damages estimated by the board or made by the

  proper court and all expenses, including those of the

  members of the board and their per diem authorized-by

  7-4-2187-and-7-4-2188, shall be paid out of the county road

  fund on the order of the board."
- Section 9. Section 7+32-104, MCA, is amended to read:
   "7-32-104. Salaries. The provisions---of---7-4-2503

notwithstanding, -- the salaries of the director and employees 1 of the department of public safety shall be established by 3 the public safety commission and shall be paid by the city or town with the board of county commissioners. The salary 5 of the director may not be less than that specified set for the sheriff in under 7-4-2503. The salaries of employees may not-be-less-than-the--salaries--specified--in--7-4-2508--and 7 7-4-25107-however7-employees-are-not-required-to-be-paid-any 9 fixed-percentage-of-the-director+s-or-sheriff+s-salary:" NEW SECTION. Section 10. Repealer. Sections 7-4-2107, 10 11 7-4-2504, 7-4-2507, and 7-4-2510, MCA, are repealed. 12 NEW SECTION. Section 11. Effective date. This act is 13 effective July 1, 1987.

-End-

3

10

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

## RE-REFERRED AND LC 1165/01 COMM. ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECOMMEND DO NOT PASS

ON MOTION. PRINTED AND PLACED ON SECOND READING

INTRODUCED BY

BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF

5 ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS, EXCEPT

THE COUNTY ASSESSOR AND DEPUTY COUNTY ASSESSOR, BY PROVIDING

7 THAT THE SALARIES BE DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING

8 BODY; AMENDING SECTIONS 3-10-207, 7-4-2108, 7-4-2502,

7-4-2503, 7-4-2505, 7-4-2706, 7-14-2126, 7-14-2610, AND

7-32-104, MCA: REPEALING SECTIONS 7-4-2107, 7-4-2504.

11 7-4-2507. AND 7-4-2510. MCA: AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE

12 DATE."

13

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

Section 1. Section 3-10-207, MCA, is amended to read:

"3-10-207. Salaries. (1) The board of county commissioners shall set salaries for justices of the peace by resolution and-may7--for--all-or-the-remainder-of-each fiscal-year7-in-conjunction-with-setting-salaries-for--other officers--as--provided-in-7-4-2504(1)7-set-their-salaries-at the-prior-fiscal-year-level-if-that-does--not--result--in--a reduction--in-salary as provided in 7-4-2503. Salaries must meet the minimum requirements established by this section.

(2) If the salary of the justice of the peace was determined on a fee basis for the years 1971 and 1972, he

Montana Legislative Council

shall receive a monthly salary of not less than one-eighteenth of the total fees, civil and criminal,

3 collected by the justice or his predecessor in office during

4 the 2 years 1971 and 1972.

18

5 (3) If the salary of the justice of the peace was 6 determined on a nonfee basis for the years 1971 and 1972, 7 the justice shall be paid not less than the highest salary 8 earned by the justice or his predecessor for the years 1971 9 and 1972.

10 (4) The salary of the justice of the peace may not be
11 diminished during his term of office and may not be less
12 than the salary for the district clerk of the court in that
13 county, except as provided for in subsections—(1)—and
14 subsection (5).

15 (5) In the event his court is not open for business
16 full time, the justice's salary shall be commensurate to the
17 workload and office hours of the court."

Section 2. Section 7-4-2108, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-4-2108. Mileage allowance for county commissioners

20 -- expenses. (1) In addition to the salary provided by

21 7-4-2±07(±) 7-4-2503, each member of the board of county

22 commissioners in counties of the first, second, third, and

23 fourth class shall receive a mileage allowance as provided

 $^{24}$  in  $^{2}$ -18-503 for the distance necessarily traveled in going

25 to and returning from the county seat and his place of

residence, each day that such trip is actually made and while engaged in the performance of his official duties.

1.3

- entitled to a mileage allowance as provided in 2-18-503 for the distance necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the county seat and his place of residence each day that such trip is actually made to perform official duties. Any county commissioner whose place of residence is 50 miles or more from the county seat, as measured by the usual route of travel, and who elects to remain more than one day in the county seat to attend sessions of the board or perform his official duties is entitled to receive, in addition to mileage for one round trip between his place of residence and the county seat, \$18 per day as expenses for each day's attendance on sessions of the board while engaged in the performance of his official duties.
- (3) All claims for lodging expense reimbursement allowed under this section must be documented by an appropriate receipt.
- (4) When other than commercial, nonreceiptable lodging facilities are utilized by a county commissioner, the amount of \$7 will be authorized for lodging expenses for each day in which travel involves an overnight stay in lieu of the amount authorized in this section. However, when overnight accommodations are provided at the expense of any government

- 1 entity, no reimbursement may be claimed for lodging.
- 2 (5) This section does not apply to counties that have 3 adopted charter form of government."
  - Section 3. Section 7-4-2502, MCA, is amended to read:
    "7-4-2502. Payment of salaries of county officials and assistants. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the salaries of the county officers and their assistants may be paid monthly, twice monthly, or every 2 weeks out of the general fund of the county and upon the order of the board of county commissioners.
  - (2) (a) The salaries of the county attorney and deputy county attorneys authorized by 7-4-2703 are payable monthly, with the salary of the county attorney payable one-half from the general fund of the county and the other one-half from the state treasury upon the warrant of the state auditor.

    The annualized portion payable from the state treasury may not exceed one-half the annual salary of the attorney general in the case of full-time county attorneys or one-quarter the annual salary of the attorney general in the case of part-time county attorneys.
  - (b) The county commissioners of each county shall, within 30 days after the election or appointment to fill a vacancy for any cause in the office of county attorney, certify the election or appointment to the state auditor, who shall thereafter draw warrants for such salary in the

В

same manner as for state officers. In case of a vacancy, the county commissioners shall immediately notify the state auditor, and the auditor shall compute the salary due on the basis of the notification.

2 ÷

(3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to fix the compensation of all county officers not otherwise fixed by law and-to-provide-for-the-payment-of-the-same--and may; --for--ali--or--the--remainder--of--each-fiscal-year; -in conjunction-with-setting--salaries--for--other--officers--as provided--in--7-4-2584(1); --set--their-salaries--at-the--prior fiscal-year-level."

Section 4. Section 7-4-2503, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-4-2503. Salary--schedule County governing board to

set salaries for certain elected county officers -- changes

to be uniform. (1) The-salary-paid-to-the-county-treasurer;

county-clerk-and-recorder;--clerk--of--the--district--court;

county--assessor;--county--superintendent--of--schools;--and

county-sheriff;-the-county-surveyor-in-counties-where-county

surveyors-receive-salaries-as-provided-in-7-4-2812;-and--the

county--auditor--in--ali--counties--wherein--such--office-is

authorized;-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning-duly-1;--1981;--is

computed-by-adding-the-annual-base-salary-of:

(a)--\$147888--for-the-counties--of--the-first-through
fifth-class-to-the-population-increment-of-\$18-for-each--188

persons--or--major-fraction-thereof-included-in-the-county-s
population-as--determined--by--the--1980--federal--decennial
census7-or

(b)--\$127000--for--counties--of--the--sixth-and-seventh class-to-the-population-increment-of-\$20-per-100-persons--or major---fraction--thereof--in--the--county-s--population--as determined-by-the-1900-federal-decennial-census-

(2)--(a)-An-elected-county--superintendent--of--schools shall---receive;--in--addition--to--the--salary--based--upon subsection-(i);-the-sum-of-\$400-per--year;--except--that--an elected--county-superintendent-of-schools-who-holds-a-master of-arts-degree-or-a-masteris-degree-in--education;--with--an endorsement--in--school--administration;--from-a-unit-of-the Montana-university-system-or-an-equivalent-institution--may; at--the--discretion-of-the-county-commissioners;-receive;-in addition-to-the-salary-based--upon--subsection--(i);--up--to \$2;000-per-year:

tb)--The--county--sheriff-shall-receive;-in-addition-to
the-salary-based-upon-subsection-(1);-the-sum-of-\$2;000--per
year;

(3)--(a)-In--each-county-with-a-population-in-excess-of 3070007-the-county-attorney-shall-be--a--full-time--official under-7-4-27047-and-his-salary-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning Jaly---+7--19017--shall--be--\$3675007--in--counties--with--a population-less-than-3070007-the-county-attorney--who--is--a

part-time--official--for--a--county-of-the-first7-second7-or third-class-is-entitled-to-receive-an-annual-salary-equal-to 60%-of-the-annual-salary-of-a-full-time-county-attorney----A county--attorney-who-is-a-part-time-official-for-a-county-of the-fourth7-fifth7-sixth7-or-seventh-class--is--entitled--to receive--an-annual-salary-equal-to-50%-of-the-annual-salary of-a-full-time-county-attorney.

2.3

tb)--In-those-counties-where-the-office-of--the--county attorney--has--been--established--as--a--full-time--position pursuant-to-7-4-27067-the-salary-of-the-county-attorney--for the-fiscal-year-beginning-duly-1;-19017-shall-be-93675007

tc)-Beginning-on-July-1;-1982; and-on-July-1-of-each succeeding-year; each-county-attorney-shail-be-entitled-to an-increase-in-salary-calculated-by-adding-to-his-annual salary-on-July-1;-1981; an-increment-of-70%-of-the-last previous-calendar-year's-consumer-price-index-for-all-urban consumers; -UrS:-department-of-labor; -bureau-of-labor statistics; -or-other-index-that-the-bureau-of-business-and economic-research-of-the-university-of-Montana-may-in-the future-recognize-as-the-successor-to-that-index:-However; the-county-commissioners-may; -for-all-or--the-remainder-of each-fiscal-year; -in-conjunction-with-setting-salaries-for other-officers-as-provided-in-7-4-2504(1); -set-the-salary-at the-prior-fiscal-year-level-ir-that-level-is-lower-than-the level----required----by---this---subsection---(3)(c):----The

cost-of-living-increment-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning-July ly--19837-and-for-each-subsequent-fiscal-year-shall-be-added to-all-cost-of-living-increments-granted-for-previous--years unless-salaries-were-set-for-the-fiscal-year-at-the-level-of salaries-received-in-the-prior-fiscal-year-fn-such-case-the cost-of-living-increment--that-would-have-been-received-for such-fiscal-year7-computed-on-the-prior-fiscal-year7-may-not be-added-to-previous-increments.

(d)--(i)-After-completing-4-years-of-service-as--deputy county--attorney,-each-deputy-county-attorney-is-entitled-to an-increase-in-salary-of-\$1,000-on-the-anniversary--date--of his-employment-as-deputy-county-attorney--After-completing-5 years--of--service--as--deputy--county-attorney,-each-deputy county-attorney-is-entitled-to--an--additional--increase--in salary--of-\$1,500-on-the-anniversary-date-of-his-employment-After--completing--6--years--of--service--as--deputy--county attorney--and--for--each--year--of--service-thereafter-up-to completion-of-the-lith-year-of-service;-each--deputy--county attorney--is--entitled--to--an-additional-annual-increase-in salary-of-\$500-

(ii)-The-years-of-service-as-a-deputy--county--attorney accumulated--prior--to-July-17-19857-must-be-included-in-the calculation-of-the-longevity-increase7-but-years-of--service during--any-year-in-which-the-salary-was-set-at-the-ievel-of the-salary-of-the-prior-fiscal-year-may-not-be--included--in

LC 1165/01

any-	-całcu	latio	on-of	-tong	evity	-iner	ease:	5+
		<b>n</b>		1046				_

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

+4)--Por-each-10th-year-after-the-fiscal-year-beginning duly-17-19817-the-latest-federal-decennial-census-statistics shall--be-the-basis-for-computation-of-population-increments under-this-section,-During--the--intervening--9--years,--the computation-of-population-increments-applicable-on-July-1-of each--year-shall-be-based-on-the-last-calendar-year's-annual estimates--of--counties1---populations---compiled---by---the federal-state--cooperative--program--for--estimates--of--the university--of--Montana--bureau--of--business--and--economic research-and-the-U:S:-bureau-of-the-census-or-other-estimate that -- the -- bureau -- of -- business -- and -- economic -- research -- may certify. The governing body of a county shall annually by resolution establish the salary of each elected county official, except the county assessor. Before adopting the resolution, the governing body shall hold a public hearing. Notice of the purpose of the hearing must be published as provided in 7-1-2121. The resolution must be adopted no later than March 31 and is effective July 1.

- (2) (a) The salaries of the county assessor and the deputy county assessor must be determined according to the pay matrix for state employees in Title 2, chapter 18, part 3:
- 24 (i) The grade of the county assessor is the same grade 25 as the appraisal supervisor of the department of revenue

- serving in that county, but the salary of the county
  assessor may not be less than the salary paid to that
- (ii) The salary of the deputy county assessor may not
  exceed 90% of the salary of the assessor in the county in
  which the deputy serves.
- 7 (b) The method of determining salaries for the county
  8 assessor and the deputy county assessor in subsection (2)(a)
  9 may not be construed to mean that those officials are state
  10 employees.
- 11 (3) In changing the salaries of elected county
  12 officials, the governing body shall set the salaries of all
  13 county officers by using the same factor for all such
  14 salaries in a uniform manner that will ensure that the
  15 relationship between and among salaries remains the same as
  16 the level of compensation authorized on June 30, 1987."
- Section 5. Section 7-4-2505, MCA, is amended to read:

  "7-4-2505. Amount of compensation for deputies and

  assistants. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the boards of

  county commissioners in the several counties in the state

  shall have the power to fix the compensation allowed any

  deputy or assistant of the following officers:
- 23 (a) clerk and recorder;

official on June 30, 1987.

- 24 (b) clerk of the district court;
- 25 (c) treasurer;

-10-

LC 1165/01

- 1 (d) assessor;
- 2 (e) county attorney;
- 3 (f) auditor.

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

- (2) (a) The salary of a deputy or an assistant listed in subsection (1), other than a deputy county attorney, may not be more than 90% of the salary of the officer under whom such deputy or assistant is serving. The salary of a deputy county attorney,—including—longevity—payments—provided—in 7-4-2503(3)(d), may not exceed the salary of the county attorney under whom he is serving.
- (b) Where any deputy or assistant is employed for a period of less than 1 year, the compensation of such deputy or assistant shall be for the time so employed, provided the rate of such compensation shall not be in excess of the rates now provided by law for similar deputies and assistants except as provided herein.
- (c) Deputy assessors' salaries shall be the--same--as paid-the-deputy-clerk-and-recorder as provided in 7-4-2503."

  Section 6. Section 7-4-2706, MCA, is amended to read:

  "7-4-2706. County attorney to be full or part time -resolution ----salary. (1) In any county with a population
- of less than 30,000, the county commissioners may, upon the consent of the county attorney, on July 1 of any year by
- 24 resolution establish the office of county attorney as a
- 25 full-time position subject to the provisions of 7-4-2701 and

- 1 7-4-2704. The-salary-for-this-position-is-the-salary
  2 provided-by-7-4-2503-for-the-office-of-county-attorney-in-a
  3 county-with-a-population-in-excess-of-307000:
- (2) In any county in which the office of county attorney has been established as a full-time position under subsection (1), the county commissioners may, by resolution and upon the consent of the county attorney, establish the office as a part-time position on July 1 of any year."
- q Section 7. Section 7-14-2126, MCA, is amended to read: "7-14-2126. Compensation for making inspections. The 1.0 person or persons making the inspections authorized by 11 12 7-14-2125 shall receive a daily salary equal--to--that established--in--7-4-2107(2) and actual expenses if he 13 receives no other compensation for that day and is not on an 14 15 annual salary. The claims shall be audited and allowed in the same manner as other claims against the county." 16
- Section 8. Section 7-14-2610, MCA, is amended to read:

  "7-14-2610. Payment of damages and expenses. All

  awards of damages estimated by the board or made by the

  proper court and all expenses, including those of the

  members of the board and their per diem authorized-by

  7-4-2107-and-7-4-2100, shall be paid out of the county road

  fund on the order of the board."
- Section 9. Section 7-32-104, MCA, is amended to read:
   "7-32-104. Salaries. The provisions---of---7-4-2503

notwithstanding, -- the salaries of the director and employees 1 of the department of public safety shall be established by 2 3 the public safety commission and shall be paid by the city 4 or town with the board of county commissioners. The salary 5 of the director may not be less than that specified set for 6 the sheriff in under 7-4-2503. The-salaries-of-employees-may 7 not-be-less-than-the--salaries--specified--in--7-4-2508--and 7-4-25187-howevery-employees-are-not-required-to-be-paid-any 8 9 fixed-percentage-of-the-director's-or-sheriff's-salary:" 10 NEW SECTION. Section 10. Repealer. Sections 7-4-2107, 11 7-4-2504, 7-4-2507, and 7-4-2510, MCA, are repealed. NEW SECTION. Section 11. Effective date. This act is 12 13 effective July 1, 1987.

-End-

HB 0561/02

HB 0561/02

1

25

2	INTRODUCED BY SIMON, HAND, HARPER, NATHE, KEATING, REGAN
3	
4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF
5	ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS, EXCEPT
6	THE-COUNTY-ASSESSOR-AND-DEPUTY-COUNTY-ASSESSOR, BY PROVIDING
7	THAT THE SALARIES BE DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING
8	BODY; AMENDING SECTIONS 3-10-207, 7-4-2108, 7-4-2502,
9	7-4-2503, 7-4-2505, 7-4-2706, 7-14-2126, 7-14-2610, AND
10	7-32-104, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-4-2107, 7-4-2504,
11	7-4-2507, AND 7-4-2510, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
12	DATE."
13	
14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
15	Section 1. Section 3-10-207, MCA, is amended to read:
16	"3-10-207. Salaries. (1) The board of county
17	commissioners shall set salaries for justices of the peace
18	by resolution andmay,forall-or-the-remainder-of-each
19	fiscal-year,-in-conjunction-with-setting-salaries-forother
20	officersasprovided-in-7-4-2504(1)7-set-their-salaries-at
21	the-prior-fiscal-year-level-if-that-doesnotresultina
22	reductionin-salary as provided in 7-4-2503. Salaries must
23	meet the minimum requirements established by this section.
24	(2) If the salary of the justice of the peace was

determined on a fee basis for the years 1971 and 1972, he

HOUSE BILL NO. 561

1	shall re	ceive	a mo	onthly	salary	of	not	less	than
2	one-eighte	enth o	f the	total	fees,	civil	and	crim	inal,
3	collected	by the	justice	or his	predece	essor	in of	fice d	uring
4	the 2 year	s 1971	and 197	72.					

- 5 (3) If the salary of the justice of the peace was 6 determined on a nonfee basis for the years 1971 and 1972, 7 the justice shall be paid not less than the highest salary 8 earned by the justice or his predecessor for the years 1971 9 and 1972.
- 10 (4) The salary of the justice of the peace may not be
  11 diminished during his term of office and may not be less
  12 than the salary for the district clerk of the court in that
  13 county, except as provided for in subsections—(1)—and
  14 subsection (5).
- 15 (5) In the event his court is not open for business
  16 full time, the justice's salary shall be commensurate to the
  17 workload and office hours of the court."
- Section 2. Section 7-4-2108, MCA, is amended to read: 18 "7-4-2108. Mileage allowance for county commissioners 19 -- expenses. (1) In addition to the salary provided by 20  $7-4-2\pm07(1)$  7-4-2503, each member of the board of county 21 commissioners in counties of the first, second, third, and 22 fourth class shall receive a mileage allowance as provided 23 24 in 2-18-503 for the distance necessarily traveled in going 25 to and returning from the county seat and his place of

residence, each day that such trip is actually made and while engaged in the performance of his official duties.

- entitled to a mileage allowance as provided in 2-18-503 for the distance necessarily traveled in going to and returning from the county seat and his place of residence each day that such trip is actually made to perform official duties. Any county commissioner whose place of residence is 50 miles or more from the county seat, as measured by the usual route of travel, and who elects to remain more than one day in the county seat to attend sessions of the board or perform his official duties is entitled to receive, in addition to mileage for one round trip between his place of residence and the county seat, \$18 per day as expenses for each day's attendance on sessions of the board while engaged in the performance of his official duties.
- (3) All claims for lodging expense reimbursement allowed under this section must be documented by an appropriate receipt.
- (4) When other than commercial, nonreceiptable lodging facilities are utilized by a county commissioner, the amount of \$7 will be authorized for lodging expenses for each day in which travel involves an overnight stay in lieu of the amount authorized in this section. However, when overnight accommodations are provided at the expense of any government

-3-

entity, no reimbursement may be claimed for lodging.

2 (5) This section does not apply to counties that have 3 adopted charter form of government."

Section 3. Section 7-4-2502, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-4-2502. Payment of salaries of county officials and
assistants. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the
salaries of the county officers and their assistants may be
paid monthly, twice monthly, or every 2 weeks out of the
general fund of the county and upon the order of the board
of county commissioners.

- (2) (a) The alaries of the county attorney and deputy county attorneys authorized by 7-4-2703 are payable monthly, with the salary of the county attorney payable one-half from the general fund of the county and the other one-half from the state treasury upon the warrant of the state auditor. The annualized portion payable from the state treasury may not exceed one-half the annual salary of the attorney general in the case of full-time county attorneys or one-quarter the annual salary of the attorney general in the case of part-time county attorneys.
- (b) The county commissioners of each county shall, within 30 days after the election or appointment to fill a vacancy for any cause in the office of county attorney, certify the election or appointment to the state auditor, who shall thereafter draw warrants for such salary in the

same manner as for state officers. In case of a vacancy, the county commissioners shall immediately notify the state auditor, and the auditor shall compute the salary due on the basis of the notification.

q

(3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to fix the compensation of all county officers not otherwise fixed by law and-to-provide-for-the-payment-of-the-same--and may; --for-all--or--the--remainder--of--each-fiscal-year; in conjunction-with-setting--salaries--for--other--officers--as provided--in--7-4-2504(i); --set--their-salaries-at-the-prior fiscal-year-level."

Section 4. Section 7-4-2503, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-4-2503. Salary--schedule County governing board to

set salaries for certain elected county officers -- changes

to be uniform. (1) The-salary-paid-to-the-county-treasurer;
county-clerk-and-recorder;--clerk-of--the-district--court;
county--assessor;--county--superintendent--of--schools;--and
county-sheriff;-the-county-surveyor-in-counties-where-county
surveyors-receive-salaries-as-provided-in-7-4-2812;-and--the
county--auditor--in--all--counties--wherein--such--office-is
authorized;-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning-duly-1;--1981;--is
computed-by-adding-the-annual-base-salary-of;

fa)--\$147888--for--the--counties--of--the-first-through
fifth-class-to-the-population-increment-of-\$18-for-each--188

persons--or--major-fraction-thereof-included-in-the-county's
population-as--determined--by--the--1980--federal--decennial
census7-or

(b)--\$127000--for--counties--of--the--sixth-and-seventh class-to-the-population-increment-of-\$20-per-100-persons--or major---fraction--thereof--in--the--county's--population--as determined-by-the-1960-federal-decennial-census-

(2)--(a)-An-elected-county--superintendent--of--schools
shall---receive;--in--addition--to--the--salary--based--upon
subsection-(i);-the-sum-of-9400-per--year;--except--that--an
elected--county-superintendent-of-schools-who-holds-a-master
of-arts-degree-or-a-master-s-degree-in--education;--with--an
endorsement--in--school--administration;--from-a-unit-of-the
Montana-university-system-or-an-equivalent-institution--may;
at--the--discretion-of-the-county-commissioners;-receive;-in
addition-to-the-salary-based--upon--subsection--(i);---up---to
92,000-per-year;

(b)--The--county--sheriff-shall-receive;-in-addition-to
the-salary-based-upon-subsection-(1);-the-sum-of-\$2;000--per
year;

(3)--(a)-in--each-county-with-a-population-in-excess-of
3070007-the-county-attorney-shall-be--a--full-time--official
under-7-4-27047-and-his-salary-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning
duly---17--19817--shall--be--\$3675007--in--counties--with--a
population-less-than-3070007-the-county-attorney--who--is--a

HB 0561/02 HB 0561/02

part-time--official--for--a--county-of-the-firsty-secondy-orthird-class-is-entitled-to-receive-an-annual-salary-equal-to60%-of-the-annual-salary-of-a-full-time-county-attorney----A
county--attorney-who-is-a-part-time-official-for-a-county-ofthe-fourthy-fifthy-sixthy-or-seventh-class--is--entitled--toreceive--an--annual-salary-equal-to-50%-of-the-annual-salary
of-a-full-time-county-attorney-

tb?--In-those-counties-where-the-office-of--the--county attorney--has--been--established--as--a--full-time--position pursuant-to-7-4-27067-the-salary-of-the-county-attorney--for the-fiscal-year-beginning-duly-17-19817-shall-be-\$367500-

(c)-Beginning-on-July-17-19827-and-on-July-1-of-each succeeding-yeary-each-county-attorney-shall-be--entitled--to an--increase--in--salary--calculated-by-adding-to-his-annual salary-on-July-17-19817-an-increment--of--70%--of--the--last previous--calendar-year+s-consumer-price-index-for-all-urban consumersy--U-Sy--department--of--labor7--bureau--of---labor statisticsy--or--other-index-that-the-bureau-of-business-and economic-research-of-the-university-of-Montana--may--in--the future--recognize--as-the-successor-to-that-index--Howevery the-county-commissioners-may7-for-all-or--the--remainder--of each--fiscal--yeary-in-conjunction-with-setting-salaries-for other-officers-as-provided-in-7-4-2584(t)7-set-the-salary-at the-prior-fiscal-year-level-if-that-level-is-lower-than--the level----required----by---this---subsection---t3+fc1-----The

cost-of-living-increment-for-the-fiscal-year-beginning--July 17--19837-and-for-each-subsequent-fiscal-year-shall-be-added to-all-cost-of-living-increments-granted-for-previous--years unless-salaries-were-set-for-the-fiscal-year-at-the-level-of salaries-received-in-the-prior-fiscal-year-In-such-case-the cost-of-living--increment--that-would-have-been-received-for such-fiscal-year7-computed-on-the-prior-fiscal-year7-may-not be-added-to-previous-increments-

(d)--(i)-After-completing-4-years-of-service-as--deputy county--attorney,-each-deputy-county-attorney-is-entitled-to an-increase-in-sale,ry-of-\$17000-on-the-anniversary--date--of his-employment-as-deputy-county-attorney,-After-completing-5 years--of--service--as--deputy--county-attorney,-each-deputy county-attorney-is-entitled-to--an--additional--increase--in salary--of-\$17500-on-the-anniversary-date-of-his-employment: After--completing--6--years--of--service--as--deputy--county attorney--and--for--each--year--of--service-thereafter-up-to completion-of-the-lith-year-of-service;-each--deputy--county attorney--is--entitled--to--an-additional-annual-increase-in salary-of-\$500;

(ii)-The-years-of-service-as-a-deputy--county--attorney accumulated--prior--to-July-17-19857-must-be-included-in-the calculation-of-the-longevity-increase7-but-years-of--service during--any-year-in-which-the-salary-was-set-at-the-level-of the-salary-of-the-prior-fiscal-year-may-not-be--included--in

HB 0561/02

1

2

3

4

5

7

9

10

11

1.2

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

-	
2	(4)For-each-10th-year-after-the-fiscal-year-beginning
3	July-17-19817-the-latest-federal-decennial-census-statistics
4	shallbe-the-basis-for-computation-of-population-increments
5	under-this-section:-Buringtheintervening9years;the
6	computation-of-population-increments-applicable-on-duly-1-of
7	eachyear-shall-be-based-on-the-last-calendar-year's-annual
8	estimatesofcountiespopulationscompiledbythe
9	federal-statecooperativeprogramforestimatesofthe
10	universityofMontanabureauofbusinessandeconomic
11	research-and-the-U-Sbureau-of-the-census-or-other-estimate
12	thatthebureauofbusinessandeconomicresearch-may
13	certify: The governing body of a county shall annually by
14	resolution establish the salary of each elected county
15	official, except-the-county-assessor. Before adopting the
16	resolution, the governing body shall hold a public hearing.
17	Notice of the purpose of the hearing must be published as
18	provided in 7-1-2121. The resolution must be adopted no
19	later than March MAY 31 and is effective July 1.
20	(2)(a)-The-salaries-of-the-countyassessorandthe
21	deputycountyassessor-must-be-determined-according-to-the
22	pay-matrix-for-state-employees-in-Title-2,-chapter-18,part
23	<u>3÷</u>
24	fi)The-grade-of-the-county-assessor-is-the-same-grade
25	astheappraisalsupervisorof-the-department-of-revenue

env-calculation-of-langewity-increases-

1

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

```
serving-in--that--county,--but--the--salary--of--the--county
     assessor--may--not--be--less--than--the--salary-paid-to-that
     official-on-June-30;-1987;
          (ii)-The-salary-of-the-deputy-county-assessor--may--not
     exceed--90%--of--the-salary-of-the-assessor-in-the-county-in
     which-the-deputy-serves-
          (b)--The-method-of-determining-salaries-for-the--county
     assessor-and-the-deputy-county-assessor-in-subsection-(2)(a)
     may--not-be-construed-to-mean-that-those-officials-are-state
     employees:
          (3)(2) In changing the salaries of elected county
     officials, the governing body shall set the salaries of all
     county officers by using the same factor for all such
     salaries in a uniform manner that will ensure that the
     relationship between and among salaries remains the same as
     the level of compensation authorized on June 30, 1987."
          Section 5. Section 7-4-2505, MCA, is amended to read:
          "7-4-2505. Amount of compensation for deputies and
     assistants. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the boards of
     county commissioners in the several counties in the state
     shall have the power to fix the compensation allowed any
22
     deputy or assistant of the following officers:
          (a) clerk and recorder;
23
24
          (b) clerk of the district court;
25
          (c) treasurer;
```

HB 0561/02 HB 0561/02

- 1 (d) assessor;
- 2 (e) county attorney;
- 3 (f) auditor.

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

- 4 (2) (a) The salary of a deputy or an assistant listed 5 in subsection (1), other than a deputy county attorney, may not be more than 90% of the salary of the officer under whom 6 7 such deputy or assistant is serving. The salary of a deputy 8 county attorney, including longevity -- payments -- provided -- in 9 7-4-2503(3)(d)7, INCLUDING LONGEVITY PAYMENTS PROVIDED IN 10 7-4-2503(3)(D), may not exceed the salary of the county 11 attorney under whom he is serving.
  - (b) Where any deputy or assistant is employed for a period of less than 1 year, the compensation of such deputy or assistant shall be for the time so employed, provided the rate of such compensation shall not be in excess of the rates now provided by law for similar deputies and assistants except as provided herein.
  - (c) Deputy assessors' salaries shall be the-same-as

    paid-the-deputy-clerk-and-recorder as provided in 7-4-2503."

    Section 6. Section 7-4-2706, MCA, is amended to read:

    "7-4-2706. County attorney to be full or part time -
    resolution ---salary. (1) In any county with a population

    of less than 30,000, the county commissioners may, upon the

    consent of the county attorney, on July 1 of any year by

resolution establish the office of county attorney as a

- full-time position subject to the provisions of 7-4-2701 and
  7-4-2704. The--salary--for--this--position--is--the--salary
  provided--by-7-4-2503-for-the-office-of-county-attorney-in-a
  county-with-a-population-in-excess-of-30,7000.
- 5 (2) In any county in which the office of county 6 attorney has been established as a full-time position under 7 subsection (1), the county commissioners may, by resolution 8 and upon the consent of the county attorney, establish the 9 office as a part-time position on July 1 of any year."
- 10 Section 7. Section 7-14-2126, MCA, is amended to read: 11 "7-14-2126. Compensation for making inspections. The 12 person or persons making the inspections authorized by 13 7-14-2125 shall receive a daily salary equal--to--that 14 established---in--7-4-2107(2) and actual expenses if he 15 receives no other compensation for that day and is not on an 16 annual salary. The claims shall be audited and allowed in 17 the same manner as other claims against the county."
- Section 8. Section 7-14-2610, MCA, is amended to read:

  "7-14-2610. Payment of damages and expenses. All

  awards of damages estimated by the board or made by the

  proper court and all expenses, including those of the

  members of the board and their per diem authorized--by

  7-4-2107--and-7-4-2108, shall be paid out of the county road

  fund on the order of the board."
- 25 Section 9. Section 7-32-104, MCA, is amended to read:

HB 561

HB 0561/02

1 "7-32-104. Salaries. The provisions---of--7-4-2503 notwithstanding; - the salaries of the director and employees 2 of the department of public safety shall be established by 3 the public safety commission and shall be paid by the city or town with the board of county commissioners. The salary 5 6 of the director may not be less than that specified set for 7 the sheriff in under 7-4-2503. The-salaries-of-employees-may not--be--less--than--the--salaries-specified-in-7-4-2508-and 8 9 7-4-25107-however7-employees-are-not-required-to-be-paid-any fixed-percentage-of-the-director's-or-sheriff's-salary:" 10 11 NEW SECTION. Section 10. Repealer. Sections 7-4-2107, 12 7-4-2504, 7-4-2507, and 7-4-2510, MCA, are repealed. NEW SECTION. Section 11. Effective date. This act is 13 14 effective July 1, 1987.

-End-