

1 ¹⁵⁰ House BILL NO. 503
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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING SALARIES FOR STATE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICIALS;
 5 AMENDING SECTION 2-16-405, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 2-16-405, MCA, is amended to read:

"2-16-405. Salaries of certain elected state officials. The salaries paid to certain elected officials of the state of Montana for fiscal year 1992 and following years are:

	Fiscal Year	Following
	1992	June 30, 1992
Governor	\$54,254	\$55,502
Lieutenant governor	\$39,218	\$40,466
Attorney general	\$49,593	\$50,841
State auditor	\$36,278	\$37,526
Superintendent of public instruction	\$42,929	\$44,177
Public service commission chairman presiding officer	\$40,502	\$41,750
Public service commissioners, other than chairman presiding officer	\$39,218	\$40,466
Secretary of state	\$36,278	\$37,526
Clerk of the supreme court	\$35,289	\$36,537

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Salaries of constitutional executive branch officials. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the salary of the constitutional executive branch officials is:

(a) governor, \$61,052 in fiscal year 1996 and \$67,158 in fiscal year 1997;

1 (b) lieutenant governor, \$44,513 in fiscal year 1996 and \$48,964 in fiscal year 1997;

2 (c) attorney general, \$55,925 in fiscal year 1996 and \$61,518 in fiscal year 1997;

3 (d) secretary of state, \$41,279 in fiscal year 1996 and \$45,406 in fiscal year 1997;

4 (e) superintendent of public instruction, \$48,595 in fiscal year 1996 and \$53,454 in fiscal year
5 1997; and

6 (f) state auditor, \$41,279 in fiscal year 1996 and \$45,406 in fiscal year 1997.

7 (2) Prior to July 1 of each year, after July 1, 1997, the department of administration shall conduct
8 a salary survey of executive branch officials similar to the Montana officials listed in subsection (1) for
9 North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, and Idaho. The department shall determine the average salary for
10 the similar position in the enumerated states, and if that amount is greater than the salary for the similar
11 position, the average is the new salary for that position on July 1.

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13 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Codification instruction.** [Section 2] is intended to be codified as an
14 integral part of Title 2, chapter 16, part 4, and the provisions of Title 2, chapter 16, part 4, apply to
15 [section 2].

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17 **NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 1995.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for HB0503, as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

A bill revising salaries for state constitutional officials.

ASSUMPTIONS:

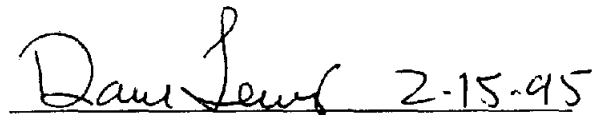
1. No vacancy savings will be applied to elected official salaries and benefits.
2. The Governor's Office has two elected officials, and two programs, impacted by the bill.
3. The Department of Justice is responsible for the salary and benefits of the Attorney General.
4. Funding for the increases will be from the general fund except for the Secretary of State who is funded from the proprietary fund.
5. Employee benefit rates vary slightly among the elected officials within the range of 15%-16% of salary, excluding the state contribution to health insurance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Expenditures:</u>	<u>FY96</u>	<u>FY97</u>
	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Governor's Executive Office Program:</u>		
Personal Services	6,379	13,374
<u>Lieutenant Governor Program:</u>		
Personal Services	4,651	9,768
<u>Department of Justice:</u>		
Personal Services	5,849	12,284
<u>Secretary of State's Office:</u>		
Personal Services	4,315	9,060
<u>Office of Public Instruction:</u>		
Personal Services	5,121	10,745
<u>State Auditor's Office:</u>		
Personal Services	<u>4,321</u>	<u>9,071</u>
Total	30,636	64,302
 <u>Funding:</u>		
General Fund (01)	26,321	55,242
Proprietary (06)	<u>4,315</u>	<u>9,060</u>
Total	30,636	64,302

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

The bill requires a salary survey of executive branch officials in adjoining states for FY99 and subsequent years in order to determine an average salary for each similar position. If the average salary is greater than the statutory salary, the average becomes the new salary for the fiscal year. This may result in future salary and benefit increases to move these elected officials to the regional average.


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