

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 712

## For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED § 16-21-2203 TO SET THE SALARY AND EXPENSES OF THE DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS IN THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT-EAST; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

"TO SET THE SALARY AND EXPENSES OF THE DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS IN THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT-EAST"

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 16-21-2203 is amended to read as follows:

"(a) ~~In lieu of any other~~ The Office of the Prosecuting Attorney shall receive a contingent expense allowance reimbursement provided by law for the Prosecuting Attorney of the Seventeenth Judicial District-East, the prosecuting attorney shall receive an expense allowance of two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400) per annum to be borne by the respective counties of the Seventeenth Judicial District-East as follows:

- (1) White County.....\$1,400
- (2) Prairie County.....\$1,000

(b) The counties shall pay the authorized annual amounts in equal quarterly installments from the county general fund of the respective counties and the checks shall be made payable to the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney. Disbursements shall be made by the Prosecuting Attorney for the necessary expenses of the office based upon adequate documentation.

(c) The prosecuting attorney or deputies may also be allowed additional

1 expenses upon appropriation of the quorum court and approval of the county  
2 judge.

3 (d) The Prosecuting Attorney of the Seventeenth Judicial District-East  
4 shall be entitled to the following assistants and employees:

5 (1) One (1) chief deputy prosecuting attorney, whose salary shall  
6 not be less than ~~thirty-eight thousand seven dollars (\$38,007)~~ forty-one  
7 thousand eight hundred eight dollars (\$41,808) per annum. The salary is to be  
8 paid in accordance with the pay periods and payroll policy for county  
9 employees of White County. In addition to the salary, social security,  
10 matching retirement, insurance, and all related salary expenses shall be paid  
11 by White County;

12 (2)(A) One (1) deputy prosecuting attorney for White County,  
13 whose salary shall not be less than ~~seventeen thousand fifty-seven dollars~~  
14 ~~(\$17,057)~~ twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$28,500) per annum. The  
15 salary is to be paid in accordance with the pay periods and payroll policy for  
16 county employees of White County. In addition to the salary, social security,  
17 matching retirement, insurance, and all related salary expenses shall be paid  
18 by White County;

19 (B) One (1) deputy prosecuting attorney for White County,  
20 whose salary shall not be less than twenty thousand seven hundred sixty-three  
21 dollars (\$20,763) per annum. The salary is to be paid in accordance with the  
22 pay periods and payroll policy for county employees of White County. In  
23 addition to the salary, social security, matching retirement, insurance, and  
24 all related salary expenses shall be paid by White County;

25 (3)(A) One (1) deputy prosecuting attorney for Prairie County,  
26 whose salary shall not be less than ~~seventeen thousand seven hundred forty~~  
27 ~~dollars (\$17,740)~~ nineteen thousand six hundred seven dollars (\$19,607) per  
28 annum. The salary is to be paid in accordance with the pay periods and payroll  
29 policy for county employees of Prairie County. In addition to the salary,  
30 social security, matching retirement, insurance, and all related salary  
31 expenses shall be paid by Prairie County.

32 (B) The deputy prosecuting attorney for Prairie County  
33 shall be entitled to actual operating expenses of not less than ~~ten thousand~~  
34 ~~six hundred eighty-five dollars (\$10,685)~~ thirteen thousand three hundred  
35 sixty-six dollars 13,366) to cover the cost of telephone, printing, supplies,  
36 equipment, janitorial services, cleaning supplies, food, service contracts,

1 accounting, postage, photocopies, travel, training, utilities, rent, juror and  
2 witness fees, and such other expenses which within the discretion of the  
3 prosecuting attorney may be proper expenses of the office in connection with  
4 the investigation and prosecution of criminal activity within the district, to  
5 be paid by Prairie County;

6 (4) One (1) victim/witness coordinator/office manager, whose  
7 salary shall not be less than ~~twenty thousand one hundred seventy-two dollars~~  
8 ~~(\$20,172)~~ twenty-one thousand seven hundred ninety-two dollars (\$21,792). The  
9 salary is to be paid in accordance with the pay periods and payroll policy of  
10 White County. In addition to the salary, social security, matching retirement,  
11 insurance, and all related salary expenses shall be paid by White County;

12 (5) One (1) victim/witness clerk, whose salary shall not be less  
13 than ~~thirteen thousand four hundred twenty-four dollars (\$13,424)~~ sixteen  
14 thousand one hundred forty dollars (\$16,140). The salary is to be paid in  
15 accordance with the pay periods and payroll policy of White County. In  
16 addition to the salary, social security, matching retirement, insurance, and  
17 all related salary expenses shall be paid by White County;

18 (6) One (1) receptionist and municipal intake clerk, whose salary  
19 shall not be less than ~~fifteen thousand three hundred forty-eight dollars~~  
20 ~~(\$15,348)~~ seventeen thousand two hundred forty-four dollars (\$17,244) per  
21 annum. The salary is to be paid in accordance with the pay periods and payroll  
22 policy of White County. In addition to the salary, social security, matching  
23 retirement, insurance, and all related salary expenses shall be paid by White  
24 County; and

25 (7) One (1) hot check clerk, whose salary shall not be less than  
26 ~~fourteen thousand sixty-eight dollars (\$14,068)~~ fourteen thousand six hundred  
27 forty dollars (\$14,640) per annum. The salary is to be paid in accordance with  
28 the pay periods and payroll policy of White County. In addition to the salary,  
29 social security, matching retirement, insurance, and all related salary  
30 expenses shall be paid by White County.

31 (e)(1) The quorum courts of the respective counties of the Seventeenth  
32 Judicial District-East shall annually appropriate out of the funds sufficient  
33 amounts to cover the salaries and expenses provided for in this section.

34 (2) The salaries and expenses provided in this section are  
35 minimum provisions only and the quorum courts of the respective counties may  
36 appropriate any additional funds they deem necessary for the efficient

1 operation of the office of the prosecuting attorney.

2 (f) A deputy prosecuting attorney who is duly appointed in any county  
3 of the Seventeenth Judicial District-East shall have the authority to perform  
4 all official acts as deputy prosecuting attorney in all counties within the  
5 district.

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7 SECTION 2. The provisions of this act shall be effective retroactive to  
8 January 1, 1997.

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10 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
11 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
12 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
15 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
16 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
17 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
18 act are declared to be severable.

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20 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
21 hereby repealed.

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23 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. It is found and determined by the General  
24 Assembly of the State of Arkansas that this act is essential to the operation  
25 of the criminal justice system within the Seventeenth Judicial District-East.  
26 It is also determined that the prosecuting attorney of the Seventeenth  
27 Judicial District-East is in need of these personnel in order to fight the war  
28 on drugs and combat crime in the Seventeenth Judicial District-East.  
29 Therefore an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately  
30 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall  
31 become effective on the date of its approval by the Governor. If the bill is  
32 neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, it shall become effective on the  
33 expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill.  
34 If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall  
35 become effective on the date the last house overrides the veto.