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AN ACT

RELATING TO COUNTIES; INCREASING SALARIES OF ELECTED COUNTY OFFICERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 4-44-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1957, Chapter 196, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

"4-44-4. CLASS A COUNTIES--SALARIES.--The annual salaries of elected officers of class A counties shall not exceed:

A. county commissioners, twenty-nine thousand five hundred sixty nine dollars (\$29,569) each;

B. treasurer, sixty-five thousand five hundred one dollars (\$65,501);

C. assessor, sixty-five thousand five hundred one dollars (\$65,501);

D. sheriff, sixty-eight thousand three hundred eight dollars (\$68,308);

E. county clerk, sixty-five thousand five hundred one dollars (\$65,501);

F. probate judge, twenty-eight thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$28,820); and

G. county surveyor, twenty-two thousand three hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$22,358)."

Section 2. Section 4-44-4.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1986, SB 376
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1 Chapter 67, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

2 "4-44-4.1. CLASS B COUNTIES--OVER THREE HUNDRED MILLION
3 DOLLARS VALUATION--SALARIES.--The annual salaries of elected
4 officers of class B counties with an assessed valuation of
5 over three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) shall not
6 exceed:

7 A. county commissioners, twenty-two thousand eight
8 hundred thirty-two dollars (\$22,832) each;

9 B. treasurer, fifty-seven thousand two hundred
10 sixty-five dollars (\$57,265);

11 C. assessor, fifty-seven thousand two hundred
12 sixty-five dollars (\$57,265);

13 D. sheriff, fifty-nine thousand six hundred
14 ninety-nine dollars (\$59,699);

15 E. county clerk, fifty-seven thousand two hundred
16 sixty-five dollars (\$57,265);

17 F. probate judge, twenty thousand twenty-four
18 dollars (\$20,024); and

19 G. county surveyor, a reasonable rate of
20 compensation as determined by the board of county
21 commissioners."

22 Section 3. Section 4-44-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1957,
23 Chapter 196, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

24 "4-44-5. CLASS B COUNTIES--SALARIES.--The annual
25 salaries of elected officers of class B counties with an

1 assessed valuation of over seventy-five million dollars
2 (\$75,000,000) but under three hundred million dollars
3 (\$300,000,000) shall not exceed:

4 A. county commissioners, sixteen thousand two
5 hundred eighty-two dollars (\$16,282) each;

6 B. treasurer, forty-nine thousand thirty-one
7 dollars (\$49,031);

8 C. county assessor, forty-nine thousand thirty-one
9 dollars (\$49,031);

10 D. county sheriff, fifty-one thousand two hundred
11 seventy-seven dollars (\$51,277);

12 E. county clerk, forty-nine thousand thirty-one
13 dollars (\$49,031);

14 F. probate judge, eleven thousand four hundred
15 sixteen dollars (\$11,416); and

16 G. county surveyor, a reasonable rate of
17 compensation as determined by the board of county
18 commissioners."

19 Section 4. Section 4-44-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1957,
20 Chapter 196, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

21 "4-44-6. CLASS C COUNTIES--SALARIES.--The annual
22 salaries of elected officers of class C counties shall not
23 exceed:

24 A. county commissioners, sixteen thousand two
25 hundred eighty-two dollars (\$16,282) each;

1 B. county treasurer, forty-nine thousand
2 thirty-one dollars (\$49,031);

3 C. county assessor, forty-nine thousand thirty-one
4 dollars (\$49,031);

5 D. county sheriff, fifty-one thousand two hundred
6 seventy-seven dollars (\$51,277);

7 E. county clerk, forty-nine thousand thirty-one
8 dollars (\$49,031);

9 F. probate judge, eleven thousand four hundred
10 sixteen dollars (\$11,416); and

11 G. county surveyor, a reasonable rate of
12 compensation as determined by the board of county
13 commissioners."

14 Section 5. Section 4-44-7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1957,
15 Chapter 196, Section 5, as amended) is amended to read:

16 "4-44-7. FIRST CLASS COUNTIES--OVER TWENTY-SEVEN
17 MILLION DOLLARS VALUATION--SALARIES.--The annual salaries of
18 elected officers of counties of the first class with an
19 assessed valuation of over twenty-seven million dollars
20 (\$27,000,000) but under forty-five million dollars
21 (\$45,000,000) shall not exceed:

22 A. county commissioners, fourteen thousand seven
23 hundred eighty-four dollars (\$14,784) each;

24 B. treasurer, thirty-five thousand nine hundred
25 thirty-three dollars (\$35,933);

1 C. assessor, thirty-five thousand nine hundred
2 thirty-three dollars (\$35,933);

3 D. sheriff, thirty-eight thousand seven hundred
4 thirty-nine dollars (\$38,739);

5 E. county clerk, thirty-five thousand nine hundred
6 thirty-three dollars (\$35,933);

7 F. probate judge, nine thousand five hundred
8 forty-five dollars (\$9,545); and

9 G. county surveyor, a reasonable rate of
10 compensation as determined by the board of county
11 commissioners."

12 Section 6. Section 4-44-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1957,
13 Chapter 196, Section 6, as amended) is amended to read:

14 "4-44-8. FIRST CLASS COUNTIES--UNDER TWENTY-SEVEN
15 MILLION DOLLARS VALUATION--SALARIES.--The annual salaries of
16 elected officers of counties of the first class with an
17 assessed valuation of over fourteen million dollars
18 (\$14,000,000) but under twenty-seven million dollars
19 (\$27,000,000) shall not exceed:

20 A. county commissioners, nine thousand nine
21 hundred nineteen dollars (\$9,919) each;

22 B. treasurer, thirty thousand five hundred five
23 dollars (\$30,505);

24 C. assessor, thirty thousand five hundred five
25 dollars (\$30,505);

1 D. sheriff, thirty-eight thousand seven hundred
2 thirty-nine dollars (\$38,739);

3 E. county clerk, thirty thousand five hundred five
4 dollars (\$30,505);

5 F. probate judge, eight thousand seven hundred
6 ninety-five dollars (\$8,795); and

7 G. county surveyor, a reasonable rate of
8 compensation as determined by the board of county
9 commissioners."

10 Section 7. Section 4-44-14 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1955,
11 Chapter 4, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

12 "4-44-14. H CLASS COUNTIES--SALARIES AND EXPENSES.--

13 A. Officers elected or appointed in an
14 unincorporated county of the H class shall receive the
15 following annual salaries:

16 (1) county commissioners, one dollar
17 (\$1.00);

18 (2) treasurer, one dollar (\$1.00);

19 (3) assessor, one dollar (\$1.00);

20 (4) sheriff, one dollar (\$1.00);

21 (5) county clerk, one dollar (\$1.00);

22 (6) probate judge, three thousand five
23 hundred five dollars (\$3,505); and

24 (7) county surveyor, not to exceed ten
25 dollars (\$10.00) per day for each day actually employed under

1 orders by the board of county commissioners, such employment
2 not to exceed fifty days in any one year.

3 B. The elected H class county officials listed in
4 Subsection A of this section, except probate judge, in
5 addition to the salaries prescribed shall be entitled to
6 receive as per diem expense the sum of not more than fifteen
7 dollars (\$15.00) while in actual attendance at county
8 commission meetings or while engaged in the performance of
9 their official duties for the county. However, the total per
10 diem expense allowance for each elected H class county
11 official listed in Subsection A of this section shall not
12 exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) in any fiscal year.
13 Such per diem expense shall be in addition to any allowance
14 for sheriff's mileage or for other out-of-county expenses
15 allowed for all officials by law and shall be budgeted, paid
16 and audited as provided by laws governing expenditures of
17 county funds."

18 Section 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
19 provisions of this act is January 1, 2007. _____