

Senate File 219 - Introduced

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BY JOHNSON

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act abolishing county compensation boards.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 331.212, subsection 2, Code 2009, is
1 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. i. Setting the compensation schedule of
1 4 the elected county officers.
1 5 Sec. 2. Section 331.321, subsection 1, paragraph 1, Code
1 6 2009, is amended by striking the paragraph.
1 7 Sec. 3. Section 331.322, subsection 6, Code 2009, is
1 8 amended to read as follows:
1 9 6. ~~Review~~ Annually review and prepare the final
1 10 compensation schedule of the county compensation board and
1 11 ~~determine the final compensation schedule~~ in accordance with
1 12 section 331.907.
1 13 Sec. 4. Section 331.322, subsection 7, Code 2009, is
1 14 amended by striking the subsection.
1 15 Sec. 5. Section 331.323, subsection 1, unnumbered
1 16 paragraph 5, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:
1 17 ~~When~~ If the duties of an officer or employee are assigned
1 18 to one or more elected officers, the board shall set ~~the an~~
1 19 initial salary for each elected officer. Thereafter, the
1 20 ~~salary and, thereafter, shall be determined~~ determine the
1 21 salary as provided in section 331.907.
1 22 Sec. 6. Section 331.907, subsections 1 through 3, Code
1 23 2009, are amended to read as follows:
1 24 1. The annual compensation of the auditor, treasurer,
1 25 recorder, sheriff, county attorney, and supervisors shall be
1 26 determined as provided in this section. ~~The county~~
1 27 ~~compensation board~~ annually shall review the compensation paid
1 28 to comparable officers in other counties of this state, other
1 29 states, private enterprise, and the federal government. In
1 30 setting the salary of the county sheriff, the county
1 31 ~~compensation board shall consider setting the sheriff's salary~~
1 32 so that it is comparable to salaries paid to professional law
1 33 enforcement administrators and command officers of the state
1 34 patrol, the division of criminal investigation of the
1 35 department of public safety, and city police agencies in this
2 1 state. The county compensation board shall prepare a
2 2 compensation schedule for the elective county officers for the
2 3 succeeding fiscal year. A recommended compensation schedule
2 4 ~~requires a majority vote of the membership of the county~~
2 5 ~~compensation board.~~
2 6 2. At the public hearing held on the county budget as
2 7 provided in section 331.434, the ~~county compensation board~~
2 8 shall submit its ~~recommended~~ compensation schedule for the
2 9 next fiscal year ~~to the board of supervisors~~ for inclusion in
2 10 the county budget. ~~The board of supervisors shall review the~~
2 11 ~~recommended compensation schedule for the elected county~~
2 12 ~~officers and determine the final compensation schedule which~~
2 13 ~~shall not exceed the compensation schedule recommended by the~~
2 14 ~~county compensation board. In determining the final~~
2 15 ~~compensation schedule if the board of supervisors wishes to~~
2 16 ~~reduce the amount of the recommended compensation schedule,~~
2 17 ~~the amount of salary increase proposed for each elected county~~
2 18 ~~officer shall be reduced an equal percentage. A copy of the~~
2 19 ~~final~~ compensation schedule shall be filed with the county

2 20 budget at the office of the director of the department of
2 21 management. The ~~final~~ compensation schedule takes effect on
2 22 July 1 following its adoption by the board of ~~supervisors~~.
2 23 3. The elected county officers are also entitled to
2 24 receive their actual and necessary expenses incurred in
2 25 performance of official duties of their respective offices.
2 26 The board of ~~supervisors~~ may authorize the reimbursement of
2 27 expenses related to an educational course, seminar, or school
2 28 which is attended by a county officer after the county officer
2 29 is elected, but prior to the county officer taking office.
2 30 Sec. 7. Section 331.905, Code 2009, is repealed.

2 31 EXPLANATION

2 32 This bill provides for the abolition of county compensation
2 33 boards and transfers to the board of supervisors the duty of
2 34 setting the compensation schedule for elective county
2 35 officers.

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