

House File 2518 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2035)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the annual compensation of county
- 2 supervisors.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 331.907, Code 2020, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. If the board of supervisors adopts a
4 compensation schedule that annually compensates a supervisor
5 in an amount greater than the median annual household income
6 for the county based on the most recently published United
7 States census bureau median household income statistics, the
8 board of supervisors shall direct the county commissioner of
9 elections to submit to the registered voters of the county at a
10 special election held pursuant to section 39.2 the question of
11 whether the adopted compensation schedule shall be approved.
12 If a majority of those voting do not approve the adopted
13 compensation schedule prior to the date the county budget is
14 certified pursuant to section 24.17, the compensation for
15 supervisors shall be the same as provided in the current fiscal
16 year.

17 EXPLANATION

18 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
19 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

20 This bill relates to the annual compensation of county
21 supervisors. Under current law, a county compensation board
22 recommends the annual compensation of certain county officials,
23 including supervisors, after reviewing the compensation paid
24 to comparable officers in other counties of this state, other
25 states, private enterprise, and the federal government. The
26 bill provides that if the county board of supervisors adopts
27 a compensation schedule that annually compensates supervisors
28 in an amount greater than the median annual household income
29 for the county, the board must direct the county commissioner
30 of elections to submit to the registered voters of the county
31 the question of whether the adopted compensation schedule shall
32 be approved. If a majority of those voting do not approve the
33 adopted compensation schedule prior to the date the county
34 budget is certified, the compensation for supervisors shall
35 be the same as provided in the current fiscal year. Current

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1 law prohibits the county board of supervisors from adopting
2 a compensation schedule that exceeds the county compensation
3 board's recommendation.