

SENATE BILL 622

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-12-208; Title 8 and Title 16, Chapter 15, Part 50, relative to salaries of certain county officials.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-24-102, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

() Beginning July 1, 2015, a county may opt out of providing the minimum compensation and adjustments required by this section upon adoption of a resolution by a majority vote of the county legislative body. If a county adopts a resolution pursuant to this subsection, then the county shall determine the salaries of its county officials based on all relative factors. Any annual adjustment to a county official's salary shall not be more than the average annualized general increase in a county employee's compensation for that county.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-12-208, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

() Beginning July 1, 2015, a county may opt out of providing the minimum compensation and adjustments required by this section upon adoption of a resolution by a majority vote of the county legislative body. If a county adopts a resolution pursuant to this subsection, then the county shall determine the salary of its county administrator of elections based on all relative factors. Any annual adjustment to the county administrator of elections' salary shall not exceed the average annualized general increase in a county employee's compensation for that county.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16, Chapter 15, Part 50, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

Notwithstanding this part to the contrary, a county may opt out of providing the minimum compensation and adjustments required by § 16-15-5003, for general sessions judges upon adoption of a resolution by a majority vote of the county legislative body. If a county adopts a resolution pursuant to this section, then the county shall determine the salary of its general sessions judges based on all relative factors. Any annual adjustment to the general sessions judges' salary shall not exceed the average annualized general increase in a county employee's compensation for that county. Any salary adjustment made pursuant to this section shall not take effect until September 1 of the year in which a general sessions judge is elected to office.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.