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HOUSE BILL 16-1367

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE RE-CATEGORIZATION OF CERTAIN COUNTIES FOR
102 THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING SALARIES PAID TO COUNTY
103 OFFICERS IN THOSE COUNTIES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/bills summaries>.)

Prior to 2015, counties were classified into primary categories I to VII for purposes of determining the salaries of county officers. Four subcategories A to D were added to each primary category in 2015, which would result in the following percentage increases for terms beginning on or after January 1, 2016:

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

- ! Subcategory A: 30% increase;
- ! Subcategory B: 20% increase;
- ! Subcategory C: 10% increase; and
- ! Subcategory D: no increase.

All counties are currently classified in subcategory A of their respective primary categories, which would result in a 30% increase for all county officers in the state. The bill modifies the classifications of certain counties, resulting in smaller increases for officers from these counties.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-2-102, **amend**
3 (1.5) (a) as follows:

4 **30-2-102. Categorization of counties for fixing salaries of**
5 **county officers - salary amounts - legislative declaration.** (1.5) (a) For
6 the purpose of establishing the salaries of county officers whose terms of
7 office begin on or after January 1, 2016:

8 (I) (A) Category I-A counties consist of the counties of Adams,
9 Arapahoe, Boulder, Douglas, El Paso, Jefferson, Larimer, Pueblo, and
10 Weld;

11 (B) CATEGORY I-D COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTY OF MESA.

12 (II) (A) Category II-A counties consist of the counties of Eagle,
13 ~~Fremont~~, Garfield, La Plata, ~~Mesa~~, ~~Pitkin~~, Routt, and Summit;

14 (B) CATEGORY II-C COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF
15 FREMONT AND PITKIN.

16 (III) (A) Category III-A counties consist of the counties of
17 Alamosa, Archuleta, Chaffee, Clear Creek, ~~Delta~~, ~~Gilpin~~, ~~Grand~~,
18 Gunnison, ~~Las Animas~~, ~~Logan~~, Moffat, ~~Montezuma~~, Montrose, Morgan,
19 ~~Otero~~, Park, Rio Blanco, San Miguel, and Teller;

20 (B) CATEGORY III-B COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF

1 DELTA, GILPIN, AND LOGAN;

2 (C) CATEGORY III-C COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTY OF
3 OTERO;

4 (D) CATEGORY III-D COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF
5 GRAND, LAS ANIMAS, AND MONTEZUMA.

6 (IV) (A) Category IV-A counties consist of the counties of Custer,
7 Elbert, ~~Huerfano, Kit Carson,~~ Lake, Ouray, AND Prowers; ~~Rio Grande,~~
8 ~~Washington, and Yuma;~~

9 (B) CATEGORY IV-B COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF KIT
10 CARSON, WASHINGTON, AND YUMA;

11 (C) CATEGORY IV-C COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF
12 HUERFANO AND RIO GRANDE.

13 (V) (A) Category V-A counties consist of the counties of Baca,
14 ~~Bent, Cheyenne,~~ Conejos, Costilla, ~~Crowley, Dolores, Hinsdale,~~ Lincoln,
15 Mineral, Phillips, ~~Saguache,~~ and San Juan; ~~and~~

16 (B) CATEGORY V-B COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF
17 CROWLEY AND HINSDALE;

18 (C) CATEGORY V-C COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF BENT
19 AND DOLORES;

20 (D) CATEGORY V-D COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF
21 CHEYENNE AND SAGUACHE.

22 (VI) (A) ~~Category VI-A~~ CATEGORY VI-B counties consist of the
23 ~~counties~~ COUNTY of ~~Jackson, Kiowa and~~ Sedgwick;

24 (B) CATEGORY VI-D COUNTIES CONSIST OF THE COUNTIES OF
25 JACKSON AND KIOWA.

26 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.