

House Bill 778

By: Representatives Townsend of the 179th, Sainz of the 180th, and DeLoach of the 167th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the State Court of Glynn County, approved March 9, 1943
2 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 702), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 20, 2001
3 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3553), so as to change the compensation of the solicitor general; to provide
4 that the solicitor general shall be a full-time position; to provide for staffing of such
5 solicitor's office; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act creating the State Court of Glynn County, approved March 9, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943,
10 p. 702), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 20, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3553),
11 is amended by revising Section 7 as follows:

12 "SECTION 7.

13 (a) The office of solicitor general of the State Court of Glynn County shall be full time.
14 The solicitor general shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the Board of
15 Commissioners of Glynn County of not less than 75 percent of the annual salary of the

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16 judge of the State Court of Glynn County, including any supplements. The salary shall be
17 paid from the general fund of such county in 12 monthly installments, and such solicitor
18 general shall not maintain a law practice while serving as the elected solicitor.

19 (b) The solicitor general may employ such assistant solicitors general, investigators,
20 paraprofessionals, clerical assistants, or other employees or independent contractors as may
21 be authorized by the board of commissioners. Such personnel shall be compensated by the
22 county in a manner and amount fixed by the solicitor general and approved by the board
23 of commissioners. Any investigator employed pursuant to this subsection shall meet the
24 qualifications for certification as a peace officer as provided in Chapter 8 of Title 35 of the
25 O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Act.'"

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2023.

28 **SECTION 3.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.