

Senate Bill 295

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AS PASSED SENATE

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

1 To amend Titles 15 and 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts and
2 revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to revise the cost-of-living and general performance
3 based increases to take into account the increases provided for in 2020; to provide for an
4 effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, is amended by revising
8 paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 15-6-88, relating to minimum annual salary
9 schedule for clerks of superior court, effective January 1, 2021, as follows:

10 ~~"(2) Any cost-of-living or general performance-based increases that have been applied~~
11 ~~prior to January 1, 2021, shall cease to be applied. Effective January 1, 2021, any new~~
12 ~~cost-of-living or general performance-based increases shall be calculated as provided in~~
13 ~~this Code section~~ The amounts fixed in the minimum salary schedule in subsection (a)
14 of this Code section shall not be increased by any cost-of-living or general performance
15 based increases that have been applied or are effective prior to January 1, 2020. Any
16 cost-of-living or general performance based increases effective on or after
17 January 1, 2020, shall be calculated as provided in this Code section."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Said title is further amended by revising subparagraph (a)(2)(B) of Code Section 15-9-63,
20 relating to schedule of minimum salaries of judges of the probate court, effective
21 January 1, 2021, as follows:

22 ~~"(2) Any cost-of-living or general performance-based increases that have been applied~~
23 ~~prior to January 1, 2021, shall cease to be applied. Effective January 1, 2021, any new~~
24 ~~cost-of-living or general performance-based increases shall be calculated as provided in~~
25 ~~this Code section~~ The amounts fixed in the minimum salary schedule in this subsection

26 shall not be increased by any cost-of-living or general performance based increases that
 27 have been applied or are effective prior to January 1, 2020. Any cost-of-living or general
 28 performance based increases effective on or after January 1, 2020, shall be calculated as
 29 provided in this Code section."

30 **SECTION 3.**

31 Said title is further amended by revising subparagraph (a)(2)(B) of Code Section 15-16-20,
 32 effective January 1, 2021, relating to minimum annual salary, increase, and operating
 33 expenses for sheriffs, as follows:

34 ~~"(2) Any cost-of-living or general performance-based increases that have been applied~~
 35 ~~prior to January 1, 2021, shall cease to be applied. Effective January 1, 2021, any new~~
 36 ~~cost-of-living or general performance-based increases shall be calculated as provided in~~
 37 ~~this Code section~~ The amounts fixed in the minimum salary schedule in this subsection
 38 shall not be increased by any cost-of-living or general performance based increases that
 39 have been applied or are effective prior to January 1, 2020. Any cost-of-living or general
 40 performance based increases effective on or after January 1, 2020, shall be calculated as
 41 provided in this Code section."

42 **SECTION 4.**

43 Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is
 44 amended by revising subparagraph (b)(2)(B) of Code Section 48-5-183, effective
 45 January 1, 2021, relating to salaries of tax collectors and tax commissioners, as follows:

46 ~~"(2) Any cost-of-living or general performance-based increases that have been applied~~
 47 ~~prior to January 1, 2021, shall cease to be applied. Effective January 1, 2021, any new~~
 48 ~~cost-of-living or general performance-based increases shall be calculated as provided in~~
 49 ~~this Code section~~ The amounts fixed in the minimum salary schedule in this subsection
 50 shall not be increased by any cost-of-living or general performance based increases that
 51 have been applied or are effective prior to January 1, 2020. Any cost-of-living or general
 52 performance based increases effective on or after January 1, 2020, shall be calculated as
 53 provided in this Code section."

54 **SECTION 5.**

55 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2021.

56 **SECTION 6.**

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