

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2701

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 43.080, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to highway patrol salaries.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 43.080, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 43.080, to read as follows:

43.080. 1. The superintendent is authorized and empowered to prescribe policies providing for increases in the salaries of members of the highway patrol. Each year, prior to January first, the superintendent shall submit a salary schedule report to the governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and the president pro tem of the senate. The salary schedule report prepared by the superintendent shall include, in addition to other matters deemed pertinent to the superintendent, a comparison of the salaries of police officers of the three largest police departments in the state **and a comparison of the salaries and benefits of police officers employed by the following law enforcement agencies located in surrounding states:**

- (1) **The Iowa State Patrol;**
- (2) **The Nebraska State Patrol;**
- (3) **The Illinois State Police;**
- (4) **The Kentucky State Police;**
- (5) **The Tennessee Highway Patrol;**
- (6) **The Arkansas State Police;**
- (7) **The Oklahoma Highway Patrol; and**
- (8) **The Kansas Highway Patrol.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18           2. The governor may make additional recommendations to the report and forward  
19 them to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tem of the senate.  
20 The speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tem of the senate may assign  
21 the salary schedule report to the appropriate standing committees to review the salary  
22 comparisons to ensure that parity in the salary of members of the highway patrol and officers  
23 of the three largest police departments is maintained. The superintendent of the highway  
24 patrol shall testify before the appropriate committee on the salary schedule report if called  
25 upon by such committee. The "service" of a member of the patrol, who has served in the  
26 Armed Forces of the United States and who has subsequently been reinstated as a member of  
27 the patrol within ninety days after receiving a discharge other than dishonorable from the  
28 Armed Forces of the United States, shall be considered service with the patrol as a member of  
29 the patrol rendered since last becoming a member prior to entrance into the Armed Forces of  
30 the United States; except that no member shall be entitled to any credit, privilege or benefit  
31 provided by this chapter if such member voluntarily extends or participates in an extension of  
32 the period of service, whether by reenlistment, waiver of discharge, acceptance of  
33 commission or any other action, with the Armed Forces beyond the period of service for  
34 which such member was originally commissioned, enlisted, inducted or called.

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