

House Bill 1819

By: Representative Holland of the 157th

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT**

1 To amend an Act entitled "An Act to abolish the present mode of compensating the Clerk of
2 the Superior Court, the Judge of the Probate Court, and the Tax Commissioner of Turner
3 County," approved March 26, 1980 (Ga. L. 1980, p. 4237), so as to provide a salary for the
4 judge of the Probate Court of Turner County; to provide that such judge shall be authorized
5 to employ at least one clerk; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
6 other purposes.

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

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act entitled "An Act to abolish the present mode of compensating the Clerk of the
10 Superior Court, the Judge of the Probate Court, and the Tax Commissioner of Turner
11 County," approved March 26, 1980 (Ga. L. 1980, p. 4237), is amended by striking Section
12 3 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

13 **"SECTION 3.**

14 The judge of the probate court shall receive an annual salary equal to the minimum salary
15 provided by general law for such judge together with the amount provided by general law
16 for judges of the probate courts on a salary who are responsible for traffic cases under any
17 general or local law of this state, whether or not such judge is responsible for traffic cases."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Said Act is further amended by striking Section 7 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

20 **"SECTION 7.**

21 The clerk of the superior court, the judge of the probate court, and the tax commissioner
22 of Turner County are authorized to appoint and employ one deputy for each office. Such
23 deputy shall perform such duties and shall possess such authority as shall be specified by

each officer. It shall be within the sole power and discretion of each officer to name the person to be employed as deputy, and the person so appointed and employed shall serve at the pleasure of the officer. Each deputy shall be compensated from the funds of Turner County in an amount to be fixed by the governing authority of Turner County. The compensation shall be paid in equal monthly installments. The governing authority of Turner County shall determine the need for any additional personnel and the compensation of any such additional personnel shall be determined by the governing authority of Turner County from the funds of Turner County; provided, however, that the judge of the probate court shall be entitled to at least one clerk in addition to the deputy appointed pursuant to this section."

SECTION 3.

12 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2003.

SECTION 4.

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