

AN ACT

To amend an Act changing the compensation of the clerk of the superior court, the sheriff, and the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County from the fee system to the salary system, approved February 9, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 427), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4618), so as to change the compensation of the deputy clerk of the superior court; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

An Act changing the compensation of the clerk of the superior court, the sheriff, and the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County from the fee system to the salary system, approved February 9, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 427), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4618), is amended by striking subsection (b) of Section 4 thereof and inserting in its place a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(b) The clerk of the superior court shall be allowed a deputy clerk whose annual salary shall be \$71,177.57, to be paid in equal monthly installments from the funds in the county treasury. Any candidate for the office of clerk of the Superior Court of Cobb County shall, on the date of his or her qualification for such office in either a primary or general election, certify to the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County the name of the person he or she shall appoint as deputy clerk in the event he or she is elected to the office of clerk; and the person so named and certified by the successful candidate for such office shall serve as the deputy clerk during the term for which he or she was so named. In the event of the death or removal from office of said deputy clerk, the clerk of the superior court shall have 30 days from said date of death or removal from office of said deputy clerk to certify to the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb County the name of the new deputy clerk to be appointed. In addition to said deputy clerk, the clerk of the Superior Court of Cobb County shall be authorized and empowered to employ the clerical help necessary to perform properly the functions and duties of the office, provided that the number of employees and salaries or other compensation to be paid to each shall first be approved by the governing authority of Cobb County."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

SECTION 3.

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