

House Bill 659 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Ehrhart of the 28th, Richardson of the 26th, Manning of the 32nd, Franklin of the 17th, Cooper of the 30th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act consolidating the offices of tax collector and tax receiver into the office of
2 tax commissioner of Cobb County, approved February 17, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 790), as
3 amended, particularly by an Act approved April 27, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4459), and an Act
4 approved May 1, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5515), so as to change the compensation of certain
5 employees of such office; 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 consolidating the offices of tax collector and tax receiver into the office of tax
10 commissioner of Cobb County, approved February 17, 1949 (Ga. L. 1949, p. 790), as
11 amended, particularly by an Act approved April 27, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4459), and an Act
12 approved May 1, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5515), is amended by striking Section 3 and inserting
13 in lieu thereof the following:

14 "SECTION 3.

15 (a) The tax commissioner shall receive a minimum annual salary as provided by Code
16 Section 48-5-183 of the O.C.G.A. plus a supplement in the amount of \$3,687.00, to be paid
17 in equal monthly installments from county funds. The tax commissioner shall be allowed
18 one chief clerk whose annual salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments from the
19 funds of the county treasury. The annual salary for the chief clerk shall be \$76,525.28.
20 Any candidate for the office of tax commissioner of Cobb County shall, on the date of
21 qualifying for such office in either a primary or a general election, certify to the judge of
22 the Probate Court of Cobb County the name of the person the candidate shall appoint as
23 chief clerk in the event he or she is elected to the office of tax commissioner of Cobb
24 County; and the person so named shall serve as the chief clerk during the term for which
25 he or she was so named. In the event of the death or removal from office of said chief

1 clerk, the tax commissioner of Cobb County shall have 30 days from said date of death or
2 removal from office of said chief clerk to certify to the judge of the Probate Court of Cobb
3 County the name of the chief clerk to be appointed.

4 (b) In addition to those employees provided for in subsection (a) of this section, there is
5 created the position of executive secretary to the tax commissioner. The executive
6 secretary shall be appointed by the tax commissioner, shall be under the tax
7 commissioner's direct supervision and control, and shall serve at the pleasure of the tax
8 commissioner. The tax commissioner shall establish such qualifications, education, and
9 experience as he or she deems necessary for the individual appointed to the position of
10 executive secretary. The salary of the executive secretary shall be \$46,497.72 per annum,
11 to be paid in equal monthly installments from the funds of Cobb County.

12 (c) In addition to those employees provided for in subsections (a) and (b) of this section,
13 there is created the position of administrative specialist in the office of the tax
14 commissioner. The administrative specialist shall be appointed by the tax commissioner,
15 shall be under the tax commissioner's direct supervision and control, and shall serve at the
16 pleasure of the tax commissioner. The tax commissioner shall establish such
17 qualifications, education, and experience as he or she deems necessary for the individual
18 appointed to the position of administrative specialist. The salary of the administrative
19 specialist shall be \$37,637.42 per annum, to be paid in equal monthly installments from the
20 funds of Cobb County."

21 SECTION 2.

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

24 SECTION 3.

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