

Senate Bill 277

By: Senator Harp of the 29th

**AS PASSED SENATE**

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT**

1 To provide that the chief magistrate of the Magistrate Court of Troup County shall be a  
2 full-time position; to provide for the compensation and qualifications for such chief  
3 magistrate; to repeal a certain local Act; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting  
4 laws; and for other purposes.

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

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 The chief magistrate of the Magistrate Court of Troup County shall be a full-time position,  
8 and such chief magistrate shall devote his or her full time to the duties of such office.

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 The chief magistrate of the Magistrate Court of Troup County shall receive an annual salary  
11 in the amount of \$95,000.00 to be paid in equal monthly or bimonthly installments from the  
12 funds of the county. The chief magistrate shall be entitled to be reimbursed for actual  
13 expenses incurred in the performance of his or her official duties in the same manner and rate  
14 as other county employees.

15 **SECTION 3.**

16 In addition to all other qualifications established by general law or applicable local  
17 legislation, no person shall be elected chief magistrate of the Magistrate Court of Troup  
18 County unless, at the time of his or her election, he or she is an attorney and member in good  
19 standing of the State Bar of Georgia.

20 **SECTION 4.**

21 An Act to provide for the compensation of the chief magistrate of the Magistrate Court of  
22 Troup County, approved March 18, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 3817), is hereby repealed.

23 **SECTION 5.**

24 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2009.

25 **SECTION 6.**

26 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.