

House Bill 86 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Channell of the 120<sup>th</sup> and Kidd of the 145<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide for compensation for the judge of the State Court of Putnam  
2 County, the solicitor of the State Court of Putnam County, and the clerk of the State Court  
3 of Putnam County, approved April 1, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3721), so as to change the  
4 compensation for the judge of the State Court of Putnam County and the solicitor-general of  
5 the State Court of Putnam County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective  
6 date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act to provide for compensation for the judge of the State Court of Putnam County, the  
10 solicitor of the State Court of Putnam County, and the clerk of the State Court of Putnam  
11 County, approved April 1, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3721), is amended by revising  
12 subsections (a) and (b) of Section 1 as follows:

13 "(a) The judge of the State Court of Putnam County shall be a part-time judge within the  
14 meaning of Chapter 7 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A. and shall be paid an annual salary of  
15 \$54,000.00. Health insurance, retirement, and deferred compensation benefits currently  
16 in place on the effective date of this section and being paid to such state court judge shall  
17 remain in place. Such salary, which may also be supplemented by the governing authority  
18 of Putnam County, shall be payable out of the funds of Putnam County at the same  
19 intervals as installments are paid to other county employees. This amount of compensation  
20 shall be increased by multiplying such amount by the percentage which equals five times  
21 the number of completed four-year terms of office served by any judge following  
22 December 31, 2008, effective the first day of January following the completion of each  
23 such period of service.

24 (b) The solicitor-general of the State Court of Putnam County shall be a part-time  
25 solicitor-general within the meaning of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A. and shall  
26 be paid an annual salary of \$54,000.00. Health insurance, retirement, and deferred

27 compensation benefits currently in place on the effective date of this section and being paid  
28 to the solicitor-general shall remain in place. Such salary, which may also be  
29 supplemented by the governing authority of Putnam County, shall be payable out of the  
30 funds of Putnam County at the same intervals as installments are paid to other county  
31 employees. The salary of the solicitor-general shall be an expense of such court and  
32 payable out of the county treasury as such. This amount of compensation shall be  
33 increased by multiplying such amount by the percentage which equals five times the  
34 number of completed four-year terms of office served by any solicitor-general following  
35 December 31, 2008, effective the first day of January following the completion of each  
36 such period of service."

37 **SECTION 2.**

38 This Act shall become effective on the first day of the month following the month in which  
39 it is approved by the Governor or becomes law without such approval.

40 **SECTION 3.**

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