

House Bill 617 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Carson of the 46th, Parsons of the 44th, Dollar of the 45th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Evans of the 42nd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga.
2 L. 1964, p. 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 10, 2014 (Ga. L. 2014,
3 p. 4267), an Act approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3723), and an Act approved May
4 30, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 3695), so as to raise the compensation of the chief deputy clerk and
5 the clerk of the State Court of Cobb County; to raise the minimum and maximum allowable
6 compensation for the chief assistant, each deputy chief assistant, each assistant, and each
7 intake assistant solicitor of Cobb County; to provide for an effective date; to provide for
8 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 An Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p.
12 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 10, 2014 (Ga. L. 2014, p. 4267),
13 an Act approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3723), and an Act approved May 30, 2003
14 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 3695), is amended revising paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of Section 17 to
15 read as follows:

16 "(4) The salary of the chief deputy clerk shall be \$101,253.00 to be paid in equal monthly
17 installments from funds of Cobb County."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Said Act is further amended by striking from Section 23 the following:

20 "The clerk of the State Court of Cobb County shall receive an annual salary of \$109,226.12
21 payable in equal monthly installments from the funds of Cobb County.",

22 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

23 "The clerk of the State Court of Cobb County shall receive an annual salary of \$112,503.00
24 payable in equal monthly installments from the funds of Cobb County."

25 **SECTION 3.**

26 Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Section 27 to read as follows:

27 "(d) The solicitor-general shall have the authority to appoint two assistant solicitors for
28 each judge of Division I and Division II of the State Court of Cobb County and the same
29 number of additional assistant solicitors as the number of full-time magistrates of the
30 Magistrate Court of Cobb County, plus four additional assistant solicitors, one of whom
31 shall be the chief assistant solicitor, two of whom may be deputy assistant solicitors, and
32 one of whom may serve as an intake attorney at the Cobb County Adult Detention Center.
33 Appointments of new assistant solicitor positions shall be effective upon the appropriation
34 of funds by the governing authority as requested by the solicitor-general. The
35 compensation of such assistant solicitors shall be determined by the solicitor-general. The
36 compensation of the chief assistant solicitor shall not be less than \$76,632.00 and shall not
37 exceed \$124,527.00, payable in biweekly installments from the funds of Cobb County.
38 The compensation of any deputy assistant solicitor shall not be less than \$63,036.00 and
39 shall not exceed \$101,043.00, payable in biweekly installments from the funds of Cobb
40 County. The compensation of the assistant solicitors shall not be less than \$49,337.00 and
41 shall not exceed \$86,932.00, payable in biweekly installments from the funds of Cobb
42 County. The compensation of the intake assistant solicitor shall not be less than
43 \$49,337.00 and shall not exceed \$78,795.00 and shall be paid in the same manner as all
44 other assistant solicitors. The solicitor-general shall prescribe the duties and assignments
45 of said assistant solicitors and, while so employed, they shall not engage in the private
46 practice of law."

47 **SECTION 4.**

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

50 **SECTION 5.**

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