

Senate Bill 346

By: Senator Jackson of the 41st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for the compensation of certain county officers and officials of  
2 DeKalb County, approved March 31, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 3986), as amended, so as to  
3 revise the compensation of certain judges, judicial officers, and county officers; to make  
4 conforming changes related to court names changed by general law; to provide for related  
5 matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act providing for the compensation of certain county officers and officials of DeKalb  
9 County, approved March 31, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 3986), as amended, is amended by adding  
10 a new section to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 1.2.

12 Pursuant to Section 1 of an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the  
13 O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, approved May 6, 2024  
14 (Ga. L. 2024, p. 738), as of January 1, 2025, the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit shall be  
15 known and may be referred to as the DeKalb Judicial Circuit. Any reference in this Act

16 to the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit shall be deemed to refer to the DeKalb Judicial  
17 Circuit."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 Said Act is further amended by revising Sections 2 and 2.1 as follows:

20 "SECTION 2.

21 Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the annual salary of each of  
22 the officials of DeKalb County listed below shall be the following percentages of the gross  
23 salary as defined in Section 1:

- 24 (1) Judge of the Probate Court.....95%
- 25 (2) Clerk of the Superior Court.....75%
- 26 (3) Tax Commissioner.....75%
- 27 (4) Judge of the Juvenile Court.....95%

28 SECTION 2.1.

29 Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the annual salary of each of  
30 the officials of DeKalb County listed below shall be the following percentages of the gross  
31 salary as defined in Section 1:

- 32 (1) Chief Executive Officer.....100%
- 33 (2) Members of the Board of Commissioners.....31.984326641319%"

34 **SECTION 3.**

35 Said Act is further amended by revising Sections 3 and 3.1 as follows:

36 "SECTION 3.

37 Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the annual salary of each of  
38 the officials of DeKalb County listed below shall be the following percentages of the gross  
39 salary as defined in Section 1:

- 40 (1) State Court Judge, Divisions A and B.....95%
- 41 (2) State Court Solicitor.....95%
- 42 (3) Chief Magistrate.....95%
- 43 (4) Associate Magistrate.....85%
- 44 (5) District Attorney.....100%
- 45 (6) Sheriff.....100%

46 SECTION 3.1.

47 (a) The annual salary of the clerk of the State Court of DeKalb County shall be established  
48 by the judges of the State Court of DeKalb County, subject to approval by the governing  
49 authority of DeKalb County, and the clerk of the State Court of DeKalb County shall be  
50 compensated as an employee of DeKalb County in all other respects.

51 (b) Each part-time associate judge of the Magistrate Court of DeKalb County shall be paid  
52 an hourly rate commensurate with the annual salary provided in this Act to a full-time  
53 associate judge of the Magistrate Court of DeKalb County.

54 (c) Each judge or official who receives compensation from DeKalb County funds pursuant  
55 to this Act shall also receive from DeKalb County the same longevity pay that is provided  
56 to all county employees. Such longevity pay shall be calculated based upon the total years  
57 of service that the judge or official has provided as a judge, official, or employee of  
58 DeKalb County."

59 SECTION 4.

60 This Act shall become effective on August 1, 2025.

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**SECTION 5.**

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