

Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Setzler of the 37th, James of the 28th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Howard of the 35th offered the following substitute to HB 858:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga. L.  
2 1964, p. 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p.  
3 3750), so as to provide for additional assistant solicitor positions; to change the salaries of  
4 certain staff of the solicitor-general; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related  
5 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p.  
9 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3750), is  
10 amended by revising subsection (d) of Section 27 as follows:

11 "(d)(1) The solicitor-general shall have the authority to appoint two assistant solicitors  
12 for each judge of Division I and Division II of the State Court of Cobb County and the  
13 same number of additional assistant solicitors as the number of full-time magistrates of  
14 the Magistrate Court of Cobb County, plus four additional assistant solicitors, who shall  
15 serve at the pleasure of the solicitor-general and who shall assist the solicitor-general in  
16 the performance of his or her duties. All assistant solicitors shall have been admitted to

17 the practice of law in all of the courts of this state and be members in good standing of  
18 the State Bar of Georgia. Except as otherwise provided by law, all assistant solicitors  
19 shall be compensated a sum of at least \$83,400.00 annually beginning on January 1,  
20 2027. The exact amount of said compensation shall be determined by the  
21 solicitor-general of the State Court of Cobb County. The sum shall be payable in equal  
22 monthly installments from the general funds of the county.

23 (2) The solicitor-general is authorized to designate a specific number of assistant  
24 solicitors to serve as supervisors."

25 **SECTION 2.**

26 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2026.

27 **SECTION 3.**

28 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.