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AN ACT

1 Providing for the compensation of county officers in counties of
2 the second through eighth classes, for the disposition of
3 fees, for filing of bonds
4 in certain cases and for duties of certain officers.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. The annual salaries of county commissioners shall
8 be as follows:

9 (1) Counties of the second class

10	Chairman.....	\$25,800
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11	Other commissioners.....	22,200
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12 (2) Counties of the second class A

13	Chairman.....	25,800
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14	Other commissioners.....	22,200
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15 (3) Counties of the third class

16	Chairman.....	21,500
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17	Other commissioners.....	20,000
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18 (4) Counties of the fourth class

19	Chairman.....	18,000
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1	Other commissioners.....	17,000
2	(5) Counties of the fifth class	
3	Chairman.....	15,500
4	Other commissioners.....	15,000
5	(6) Counties of the sixth class	
6	Chairman.....	13,500
7	Other commissioners.....	13,000
8	(7) Counties of the seventh class	
9	Chairman.....	9,750
10	Other commissioners.....	9,500
11	(8) Counties of the eighth class	
12	Chairman.....	8,500
13	Other commissioners.....	8,000

14 Section 2. The annual salaries of sheriffs shall be as
15 follows:

16	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
17	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
18	(3) Counties of the third class.....	17,500
19	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	15,500
20	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,000
21	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	11,000
22	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	9,500
23	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	8,000

24 Section 3. (a) The annual salaries of county treasurers
25 shall be as follows:

26	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
27	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
28	(3) Counties of the third class.....	17,500
29	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	15,500
30	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,000

1	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	11,000
2	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	9,500
3	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	8,000

4 (b) Every county treasurer shall perform the duties now or
5 hereafter required by law, and shall be an issuing agent of the
6 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the sale of hunting licenses,
7 fishing licenses, and dog licenses, and comply with the laws
8 relating thereto and the rules and regulations of the Secretary
9 of Revenue.

10 Section 4. The annual salaries of county controllers and
11 auditors shall be as follows:

12	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
13	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
14	(3) Counties of the third class.....	17,500
15	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	15,500
16	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,000
17	(6) Counties of the sixth class where the	
18	office of controller exists or may be	
19	created.....	11,000
20	(7) Counties of the seventh class where the	
21	office of controller exists or may be	
22	created.....	9,500
23	(8) Counties of the eighth class where the	
24	office of controller exists or may be	
25	created.....	8,000

26 The county auditors in counties of the sixth, seventh, and
27 eighth classes, where the office of controller does not exist,
28 shall each receive thirty dollars (\$30) for each six hours of
29 work in the discharge of their duties, together with twelve
30 cents (12¢) per circular mile from and to their homes, once,

1 each and every day so employed.

2 Section 5. The annual salaries of district attorneys shall
3 be as follows:

4	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
5	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
6	(3) Counties of the third class.....	18,000
7	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	16,500
8	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,500
9	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	11,000
10	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	9,500
11	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	8,000

12 Section 6. (a) The annual salaries of recorders of deeds
13 shall be as follows:

14	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
15	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
16	(3) Counties of the third class.....	17,500
17	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	15,500
18	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,000
19	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	11,000
20	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	9,500
21	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	8,000

22 (b) The recorder of deeds shall perform the duties now or
23 hereafter required by law, and shall be the collection agent for
24 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the Pennsylvania realty
25 transfer tax, and shall comply with the laws relating thereto
26 and the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Revenue.

27 (c) The recorder of deeds shall be the collection agent for
28 any political subdivision levying a local realty transfer tax
29 without compensation from the political subdivision. On or
30 before the tenth of each month, the recorder of deeds shall pay

1 over to the appropriate political subdivision all local realty
2 transfer taxes collected, less two per cent for use of the
3 county, together with a report containing the information as is
4 required by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in reporting
5 collections of the Pennsylvania realty transfer tax. The
6 recorder of deeds shall pay the two per cent withheld to the
7 county. The county shall obtain and pay the premium or premiums
8 on any bond or bonds necessary to cover the performance of the
9 recorder of deeds' duties under this subsection.

10 Section 7. (a) The annual salaries of registers of wills
11 shall be as follows:

12	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
13	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
14	(3) Counties of the third class.....	17,500
15	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	15,500
16	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,000
17	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	11,000
18	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	9,500
19	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	8,000

20 (b) The registers of wills shall perform the duties now or
21 hereafter required by law, and shall be the agent of the
22 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the collection of Pennsylvania
23 transfer inheritance and estate taxes in the case of resident
24 decedents under the supervision of the Secretary of Revenue and
25 pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Secretary of
26 Revenue.

27 Section 8. The annual salaries of prothonotaries, clerks of
28 the criminal court division of the courts of common pleas and
29 clerks of the orphans' court division of the courts of common
30 pleas shall be as follows:

1	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$20,500
2	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	20,500
3	(3) Counties of the third class.....	17,500
4	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	15,500
5	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	13,000
6	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	11,000
7	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	9,500
8	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	8,000

9 Section 9. The annual salaries of coroners shall be as
10 follows:

11	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$18,600
12	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	18,600
13	(3) Counties of the third class.....	13,000
14	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	11,000
15	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	8,000
16	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	3,000
17	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	2,500
18	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	1,500

19 Section 10. The annual salaries of jury commissioners shall
20 be as follows:

21	(1) Counties of the second class.....	\$13,200
22	(2) Counties of the second class A.....	6,000
23	(3) Counties of the third class.....	2,500
24	(4) Counties of the fourth class.....	1,800
25	(5) Counties of the fifth class.....	1,300
26	(6) Counties of the sixth class.....	750
27	(7) Counties of the seventh class.....	600
28	(8) Counties of the eighth class.....	500

29 Section 11. Where any of the officers herein mentioned hold
30 two or more of the offices for which a salary is herein fixed,

1 he shall receive the highest salary fixed for any one of the
2 offices which he holds, plus an additional amount not to exceed
3 one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per annum.

4 Section 12. (a) The county officers shall be paid only the
5 salary provided herein for services performed for the county or
6 any other governmental unit.

7 (b) All fees and commissions received in the conduct of any
8 county office shall be paid directly to the county. Fees shall
9 not be deemed to include reimbursement for mileage.

10 Section 13. This act shall take effect immediately and shall
11 apply to all county officers elected or appointed on or after
12 the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November, 1971.