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**HOUSE BILL NO. 675**

**96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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**AN ACT**

To repeal section 58.095, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to county coroner training.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 58.095, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 58.095, to read as follows:

58.095. 1. The county coroner in any county, other than in a first classification chartered county, shall receive an annual salary computed on a basis as set forth in the following schedule. The provisions of this section shall not permit or require a reduction in the amount of compensation being paid for the office of coroner on January 1, 1997:

Assessed Valuation	Salary
\$ 18,000,000 to 40,999,999	\$8,000
41,000,000 to 53,999,999	8,500
54,000,000 to 65,999,999	9,000
66,000,000 to 85,999,999	9,500
86,000,000 to 99,999,999	10,000
100,000,000 to 130,999,999	11,000
131,000,000 to 159,999,999	12,000
160,000,000 to 189,999,999	13,000
190,000,000 to 249,999,999	14,000
250,000,000 to 299,999,999	15,000
300,000,000 or more	16,000

2. One thousand dollars of the salary authorized in this section shall be payable to the coroner only if the coroner has completed at least twenty hours of classroom instruction each calendar year relating to the operations of the coroner's office when approved by a professional association of the county coroners of Missouri unless exempted from the training by the

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

21 professional association. The professional association approving the program shall provide a  
22 certificate of completion to each coroner who completes the training program and shall send a  
23 list of certified coroners to the treasurer of each county. Expenses incurred for attending the  
24 training session may be reimbursed to the county coroner in the same manner as other expenses  
25 as may be appropriated for that purpose. **All elected or appointed coroners, deputy coroners,  
26 and assistants to the coroner shall complete the annual training described in this subsection  
27 within six months of election or appointment.**

28 3. The county coroner in any county, other than a first classification charter county, shall  
29 not, except upon two-thirds vote of all the members of the salary commission, receive an annual  
30 compensation in an amount less than the total compensation being received for the office of  
31 county coroner in the particular county for services rendered or performed on the date the salary  
32 commission votes.

33 4. For the term beginning in 1997, the compensation of the coroner, in counties in which  
34 the salary commission has not voted to pay one hundred percent of the maximum allowable  
35 salary, shall be a percentage of the maximum allowable salary established by this section. The  
36 percentage applied shall be the same percentage of the maximum allowable salary received or  
37 allowed, whichever is greater, to the presiding commissioner or sheriff, whichever is greater, of  
38 that county for the year beginning January 1, 1997. In those counties in which the salary  
39 commission has voted to pay one hundred percent of the maximum allowable salary, the  
40 compensation of the coroner shall be based on the maximum allowable salary in effect at each  
41 time a coroner's term of office commences following the vote to pay one hundred percent of the  
42 maximum allowable compensation. Subsequent compensation shall be determined as provided  
43 in section 50.333.

44 5. Effective January 1, 1997, the county coroner in any county, other than a county of  
45 the first classification with a charter form of government, may, upon the approval of the county  
46 commission, receive additional compensation for any month during which investigations or other  
47 services are performed for three or more decedents in the same incident during such month.  
48 The additional compensation shall be an amount that when added to the regular compensation  
49 the sum shall equal the monthly compensation of the county sheriff.

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