

SENATE BILL NO. 53—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

PREFILED JANUARY 30, 2003

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Increases compensation of elected county officers.  
(BDR 20-21)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.  
Effect on the State: No.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 1, 2)  
(REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

~

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public officers; increasing the compensation of elected county officers; authorizing a county to request and receive a waiver from the increases in compensation in the event of insufficient financial resources; providing that a waiver may not be applied for in certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1     **Section 1.** NRS 245.043 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     245.043 1. As used in this section:  
3     (a) “County” includes Carson City.  
4     (b) “County commissioner” includes the Mayor and supervisors  
5     of Carson City.  
6     2. Except as otherwise provided by any special law, the elected  
7     officers of the counties of this state are entitled to receive annual  
8     salaries in the base amounts specified in the following table. The  
9     annual salaries are in full payment for all services required by law to  
10    be performed by such officers. Except as otherwise provided by law,  
11    all fees and commissions collected by such officers in the



1 performance of their duties must be paid into the county treasury  
2 each month without deduction of any nature.

3  
4 ANNUAL SALARIES

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43				
Class	County	County Commissioner	District Attorney	Sheriff	County Clerk	County Assessor	County Recorder	County Treasurer	Public Administrator																																	
1	Clark	<del>54,000</del>	<del>100,800</del>	<del>84,000</del>	<del>72,000</del>	<del>72,000</del>	<del>72,000</del>	<del>72,000</del>	<del>72,000</del>																																	
		71,820	155,745	134,263	95,760	95,760	95,760	95,760	95,760																																	
2	Washoe	<del>39,600</del>	<del>96,000</del>	<del>78,000</del>	<del>66,000</del>	<del>66,000</del>	<del>66,000</del>	<del>66,000</del>	<del>66,000</del>																																	
		52,668	137,485	110,632	87,780	87,780	87,780	87,780	87,780																																	
3	Carson City	<del>18,000</del>	<del>72,360</del>	<del>60,000</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>																																	
		23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	Churchill	<del>18,000</del>	<del>72,360</del>	<del>60,000</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>																																	
		23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	Douglas	<del>18,000</del>	<del>72,360</del>	<del>60,000</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>																																	
		23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	Elko	<del>18,000</del>	<del>72,360</del>	<del>60,000</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>																																	
		23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	<b>Humboldt</b>	23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	Lyon	<del>18,000</del>	<del>72,360</del>	<del>60,000</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>																																	
		23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	Nye	<del>18,000</del>	<del>72,360</del>	<del>60,000</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>	<del>51,360</del>																																	
		23,940	98,707	81,846	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309	68,309																																	
	<del>Humboldt</del>	<del>18,000</del>	<del>68,340</del>	<del>54,000</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>																																	
4	Lander	<del>18,000</del>	<del>68,340</del>	<del>54,000</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>																																	
		23,940	93,223	73,662	56,977	56,977	56,977	56,977	56,977																																	
	White Pine	<del>18,000</del>	<del>68,340</del>	<del>54,000</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>	<del>42,840</del>																																	
		23,940	93,223	73,662	56,977	56,977	56,977	56,977	56,977																																	
5	Eureka	<del>15,240</del>	<del>60,300</del>	<del>43,200</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>																																	
		20,269	82,256	58,929	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072																																	
	Lincoln	<del>15,240</del>	<del>60,300</del>	<del>43,200</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>																																	
		20,269	82,256	58,929	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072																																	
	Mineral	<del>15,240</del>	<del>60,300</del>	<del>43,200</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>																																	
		20,269	82,256	58,929	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072																																	
	Pershing	<del>15,240</del>	<del>60,300</del>	<del>43,200</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>																																	
		20,269	82,256	58,929	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072																																	
	<b>Storey</b>	20,269	82,256	58,929	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072	51,072																																	
6	Esmeralda	<del>12,000</del>	<del>47,880</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>33,600</del>	<del>33,600</del>	<del>33,600</del>	<del>33,600</del>	<del>33,600</del>																																	
		15,960	65,314	52,382	44,688	44,688	44,688	44,688	44,688																																	
	<del>Storey</del>	<del>15,240</del>	<del>47,880</del>	<del>43,200</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>	<del>38,400</del>																																	

44 **Sec. 2.** Except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this act,  
45 each county shall commence payment of the increased annual



1 salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table of  
2 annual salaries contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1  
3 of this act, on July 1, 2003.

4 **Sec. 3.** 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a  
5 board of county commissioners may apply to the Committee on  
6 Local Government Finance for a waiver from the requirement to  
7 increase the annual salaries of elected officers of the county to the  
8 annual salaries set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as  
9 amended by section 1 of this act, if the board determines that the  
10 financial resources of the county are insufficient to pay those  
11 increased annual salaries in Fiscal Year 2003-2004. The Committee  
12 on Local Government Finance shall grant such a waiver if it finds  
13 that the financial resources of the county are insufficient to pay  
14 those increased annual salaries in Fiscal Year 2003-2004.

15 2. A board of county commissioners that has been granted a  
16 waiver for a fiscal year may apply to the Committee on Local  
17 Government Finance for an additional waiver for the next  
18 consecutive fiscal year if it finds that the financial resources of the  
19 county continue to be insufficient to pay the increased annual  
20 salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table  
21 contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act.  
22 There is no limitation on the number of waivers for consecutive  
23 fiscal years that the board of county commissioners may be granted  
24 if the board of county commissioners finds that the financial  
25 resources of the county continue to be insufficient to pay the  
26 increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set  
27 forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section  
28 1 of this act, in that fiscal year.

29 3. After commencing payment of the increased annual salaries  
30 of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table contained  
31 in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, a board of  
32 county commissioners may not apply for a waiver in any subsequent  
33 fiscal year.

34 4. The increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the  
35 county set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended  
36 by section 1 of this act, must not be paid retroactively for a period to  
37 which a waiver granted pursuant to subsection 1 is applicable.

38 **Sec. 4.** The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 354.599 do not  
39 apply to any additional expenses of a local government that are  
40 related to the provisions of this act.

41 **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective upon July 1, 2003.

