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Law Enforcement - Historical Notes

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Sincerely,

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Sheriff

The following acts have no current effect but are included here for reference purposes since they once applied to the Sevier County Sheriff's Office. Also referenced below are acts which repeal prior law without providing new substantive provisions.

1. Private Acts of 1823, Chapter 258, authorized Samuel Blair and Peter Bryan, securities of the late William Mitchell, Sheriff of Sevier County to collect for one year all the uncollected taxes the said Mitchell could have collected while he was in office. People who might owe taxes will be permitted to set off any claim they might have had against Mitchell, or they may apply the same as partial payment on the taxes owed. If agreement cannot be reached, a Justice of the Peace shall hear the case and render judgment accordingly, either party being given the right to appeal. All money collected will be divided pro rata between these and other securities of the Sheriff.
2. Private Acts of 1927, Chapter 668, provided that the Sheriff of Sevier County shall receive all the fees of that office which are now provided under the law and, in addition thereto, \$600 per year payable in monthly payments of \$50 out of regular county funds in the hands of the Trustee on warrant from the County Judge. No compensation shall be paid for ex-officio services of the Sheriff, the above being intended to take its place.
3. Private Acts of 1943, Chapter 370, amended Private Acts of 1927, Chapter 668, Section One, by increasing the additional compensation of the Sheriff of Sevier County from \$600 to \$1,800 per year, payable at the rate of \$150 per month.
4. Private Acts of 1959, Chapter 288, amended Private Acts of 1943, Chapter 370, above, in Section One by raising the extra compensation of the Sheriff from \$1,800 to \$3,600 per year, payable at \$300 per month. This Act, according to our information, was never presented to the Quarterly County Court and consequently never became a law.

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