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County Attorney

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Sincerely,

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SECTION 1. That there is hereby created the office of County Attorney for counties in the State of Tennessee having a population of not less than 24,400 or more than 24,500 according to the Federal Census of 1930 or any subsequent census.

SECTION 2. That the Governor shall designate and appoint the first incumbent or incumbents for said office or offices, to serve in such capacity until the first Monday in September, 1938, his successor or their successors to be elected at the next regular elections to be held on the first Thursday in August, 1938, and to be inducted into office with and as other county officials on said first Monday in September, 1938.

SECTION 3. That the term of said office shall be for four years, the first full term commencing on said first Monday in September, 1938, and every fourth year thereafter.

SECTION 4. Provided, however, effective upon the expiration of the present term of office on the 31st day of August 2010, the salary of said office shall be sixty percent (60%) of the Roane County General Sessions Judges' salary per annum payable monthly out of the general fund of the county upon a warrant by the County Executive upon the County Trustee. Reasonably travel expenses related to said office shall be paid upon a warrant by the County Executive upon the County Trustee upon the presentation of vouchers and receipts showing such expenses.

As amended by:

Private Acts of 1949, Chapter 793

Private Acts of 1969, Chapter 77

Private Acts of 1974, Chapter 186

Private Acts of 1980, Chapter 254

Private Acts of 1986, Chapter 149

Private Acts of 2010, Chapter 70

SECTION 5. That it shall be the duty of said County Attorney to attend to and transact all the legal business of the county, either in Court or otherwise, to advise any and all county officials upon matters pertaining to their respective offices, and to represent the county in all legal matters.

SECTION 6. That said County Attorney shall be a resident of the county in which he is elected, and shall be duly licensed practicing attorney.

SECTION 7. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, and this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: January 29, 1937.

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