

HOUSE BILL NO. 604

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE COMPENSATION OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2508, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 7-4-2508, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-4-2508. Compensation of undersheriff and deputy sheriff. (1) The sheriff shall fix the compensation of the undersheriff at 95% of the salary of that sheriff.

(2) (a) The sheriff shall fix the compensation of the deputy sheriff based upon a percentage of the salary of that sheriff according to the following schedule:

In counties with population of:

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| Below 15,000     | <del>85 87</del> 85% to <del>90 92</del> 94% |
| 15,000 to 29,999 | <del>76 78</del> 76% to <del>90 92</del> 94% |
| 30,000 to 74,999 | <del>74 76</del> 74% to <del>90 92</del> 94% |
| 75,000 and over  | <del>72 74</del> 72% to <del>90 92</del> 94% |

(b) The sheriff shall adjust the compensation of the deputy sheriff within the range prescribed in subsection (2)(a) according to a rank structure in the office.

(3) For purposes of this section, the term "compensation" means the base rate of pay and does not mean longevity payments or payments for hours worked overtime."

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