

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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CHAPTER 343  
HOUSE BILL 160

AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE CLERK OF THE  
SUPERIOR COURT, THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, THE SHERIFF, AND THEIR  
EMPLOYEES, ASSISTANTS AND DEPUTIES, OF WILKES COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The Clerk of the Superior Court of Wilkes County shall receive an annual salary of four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800.00), payable in equal monthly installments. Subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act, the deputy clerk of the Superior Court of Wilkes County shall be compensated on the basis of a salary schedule fixed and determined according to the length and duration of employment in the office, as follows: at the annual rate of two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00) during the first year of employment, two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00) during the second year of employment, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700.00) during the third year of employment, two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2,820.00) during the fourth year of employment, two thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$2,940.00) during the fifth year of employment and three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) during the sixth and succeeding years of employment.

Subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act, any person holding the office of assistant clerk of the Superior Court of Wilkes County shall be compensated on the basis of a salary schedule fixed and determined according to the length and duration of employment in the office, as follows: at the annual rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) during the first year of employment, two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00) during the second year of employment, two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00) during the third year of employment, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700.00) during the fourth year of employment, two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2,820.00) during the fifth year of employment and two thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$2,940.00) during the sixth and succeeding years of employment.

Sec. 2. The Sheriff of Wilkes County shall receive an annual salary of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00), payable in equal monthly installments, which shall be his entire compensation and shall be in lieu of any fees or commissions to which he might otherwise be entitled by law. The chief Deputy Sheriff of Wilkes County shall receive an annual salary of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200.00), together with such fees to which he may otherwise be entitled by law. The Sheriff of Wilkes County may continue to employ three additional Deputy Sheriffs who shall each receive a salary at

the rate of two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00) per year, and, in addition, shall be entitled to receive such fees to which they may be otherwise entitled by law.

The Sheriff of Wilkes County may continue to employ an additional, but non salaried, office Deputy Sheriff who shall be compensated by receiving such fees to which he may be entitled by law.

The clerk in the office of the Sheriff of Wilkes County, subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act, shall be paid on the basis of a salary schedule determined according to the number of years of employment of the particular person holding the position, as follows: during the first year of employment at the rate of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per month, during the second year of employment at the rate of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) per month, during the third year of employment at the rate of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per month, during the fourth year of employment at the rate of two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225.00) per month, and during the fifth and successive years of employment at the rate of two hundred thirty-five dollars (\$235.00) per month.

Sec. 3. The Register of Deeds of Wilkes County shall receive an annual salary of four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800.00), payable in equal monthly installments.

The person holding the office of deputy Register of Deeds of Wilkes County, subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act, shall be paid on the basis of a salary schedule determined according to the number of years of employment of the particular person holding the position, as follows: at the annual rate of two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00) during the first year of employment, two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00) during the second year of employment, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700.00) during the third year of employment, two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2,820.00) during the fourth year of employment, two thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$2,940.00) during the fifth year of employment, and three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) during the sixth and succeeding years of employment.

The person holding the position of assistant clerk to the Register of Deeds of Wilkes County shall be subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act and shall be paid on the basis of a salary schedule determined according to the number of years of employment of the particular person holding the position, as follows: at the annual rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00) during the first year of employment, two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100.00) during the second year of employment, two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00) during the third year of employment, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700.00) during the fourth year of employment, two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2,820.00) during the fifth year of employment, two thousand nine hundred forty dollars (\$2,940.00) during the sixth and succeeding years of employment.

Sec. 4. Any increase in compensation of any assistant, deputy, clerk, or other subordinate office employee shall be effective only when the request to advance the particular employee to the next salary range for which he may be qualified shall be made by the Sheriff, the Clerk of the Superior Court, or the Register of Deeds, as the

case may be, and when approved by the County Board of Commissioners of Wilkes County.

Sec. 5. Chapter 437 of the Session Laws of 1959, Chapter 657 of the Session Laws of 1957, and Section 2 of Chapter 187 of the Session Laws of 1957, and all other laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1961.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 3rd day of May, 1961.