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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 22‑8‑40, RELATING TO salaries of MAGISTRATEs, SO AS TO INCREASE THE BASE SALARIES FOR MAGISTRATES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 22‑8‑40(B)(2) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(2) There is established a base salary for each population category as follows:

(a) for those counties with a population of one hundred fifty thousand and above, according to the latest official United States Decennial Census, the base salary is fifty‑fivesixty‑five percent of a circuit judge's salary for the state's previous fiscal year;

(b) for those counties with a population of at least fifty thousand but not more than one hundred forty‑nine thousand, nine hundred ninety‑nine, according to the latest official United States Decennial Census, the base salary is forty‑fivefifty‑five percent of a circuit judge's salary for the state's previous fiscal year;

(c) for those counties with a population of less than fifty thousand, according to the latest official United States Decennial Census, the base salary is thirty‑fiveforty‑five percent of a circuit court judge's salary for the state's previous fiscal year.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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