

House Bill 540 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Reeves of the 34<sup>th</sup>, Carson of the 46<sup>th</sup>, Bruce of the 61<sup>st</sup>, Ehrhart of the 36<sup>th</sup>, Setzler of the 35<sup>th</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga. L.  
2 1964, p. 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p.  
3 4063), so as to change the salaries of certain staff of the solicitor-general of Cobb County;  
4 to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 An Act creating the State Court of Cobb County, approved March 26, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, p.  
8 3211), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 4063),  
9 is amended by revising subsection (d) of Section 27 as follows:

10 "(d) The solicitor-general shall have the authority to appoint two assistant solicitors for  
11 each judge of Division I and Division II of the State Court of Cobb County and the same  
12 number of additional assistant solicitors as the number of full-time magistrates of the  
13 Magistrate Court of Cobb County, plus four additional assistant solicitors, one of whom  
14 shall be the chief assistant solicitor, two of whom may be deputy assistant solicitors, and  
15 one of whom may serve as an intake attorney at the Cobb County Adult Detention Center.  
16 Appointments of new assistant solicitor positions shall be effective upon the appropriation  
17 of funds by the governing authority as requested by the solicitor-general. The  
18 compensation of such assistant solicitors shall be determined by the solicitor-general. The  
19 compensation of the chief assistant solicitor shall not be less than \$76,632.00 and shall not  
20 exceed \$128,262.00, payable in biweekly installments from the funds of Cobb County.  
21 The compensation of any deputy assistant solicitor shall not be less than \$63,036.00 and  
22 shall not exceed \$104,074.00, payable in biweekly installments from the funds of Cobb  
23 County. The compensation of the assistant solicitors shall not be less than \$49,337.00 and  
24 shall not exceed \$86,539.00, payable in biweekly installments from the funds of Cobb  
25 County. The compensation of the intake assistant solicitor shall not be less than  
26 \$49,337.00 and shall not exceed \$81,158.00 and shall be paid in the same manner as all

27 other assistant solicitors. The solicitor-general shall prescribe the duties and assignments  
28 of said assistant solicitors and, while so employed, they shall not engage in the private  
29 practice of law."

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**SECTION 2.**

31 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.