



1 for undersheriffs and deputy sheriffs as provided in 7-4-2508.

2 (d) The county sheriff must receive a longevity payment amounting to 1% of the salary determined  
3 under subsections (1) and (2)(b) for each year of service with the sheriff's office. The payment, nonpayment,  
4 increase, lack of increase, or decrease of the discretionary salary under subsection (2)(c) has no impact on the  
5 longevity payment. The additional salary amount provided for in this subsection may not be included in the  
6 salary for purposes of computing the compensation for undersheriffs and deputy sheriffs as provided in 7-4-  
7 2508.

8 (e) If the clerk and recorder is also the county election administrator, the clerk and recorder may  
9 receive, in addition to the base salary provided in subsection (1)(a), up to ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000 a year. The additional  
10 salary provided for in this subsection (2)(e) may not be included as salary for the purposes of computing the  
11 compensation of any other county officers or employees.

12 (f) If the county election administrator is a separate position from the clerk and recorder, the  
13 county election administrator may receive, in addition to the county election administrator's base salary, up to  
14 \$2,000 a year.

15 (g) The county treasurer, clerk of district court, and justice of the peace may each receive, in  
16 addition to the base salary provided in subsection (1)(a), up to \$2,000 a year. The additional salary provided for  
17 in this ~~subsection (2)(f)~~ subsection (2)(g) may not be included as salary for the purposes of computing the  
18 compensation of any other county officers or employees.

19 (h) The county coroner may be a part-time position, and the salary may be set accordingly.

20 (i) The justice of the peace for a justice's court of record may receive, in addition to the base  
21 salary provided in subsection (1)(a), compensation up to an amount allowed by 3-10-207.

22 (3) (a) Subject to subsection (3)(b), the salary for the county attorney must be set as provided in  
23 subsection (4).

24 (b) If the uniform base salary set for county officials pursuant to subsection (1) is increased, then  
25 the county attorney is entitled to at least the same increase unless the increase would cause the county  
26 attorney's salary to exceed the salary of a district court judge.

27 (c) (i) After completing 4 years of service as deputy county attorney, each deputy county attorney  
28 is entitled to an increase in salary of \$1,000 on the anniversary date of employment as deputy county attorney.

1 After completing 5 years of service as deputy county attorney, each deputy county attorney is entitled to an  
2 additional increase in salary of \$1,500 on the anniversary date of employment. After completing 6 years of  
3 service as deputy county attorney and for each year of additional service up to completion of the 11th year of  
4 service, each deputy county attorney is entitled to an additional annual longevity salary increase of \$500 or a  
5 greater amount based on the schedule developed and recommended by the county compensation board as  
6 provided in subsection (4). Any additional annual longevity salary increase provided for in this section after the  
7 11th year of service may not exceed the amount provided in the schedule developed and recommended by the  
8 county compensation board.

9 (ii) The years of service accumulated after the 11th year of service as a deputy county attorney  
10 prior to July 1, 2015, may not be included in the calculation of the longevity increases by the county  
11 compensation board under this section.

12 (iii) The years of service as a deputy county attorney accumulated prior to July 1, 1985, must be  
13 included in the calculation of the longevity increase.

14 (4) (a) There is a county compensation board consisting of:

15 (i) the county commissioners;

16 (ii) three of the county officials described in subsection (1) appointed by the board of county  
17 commissioners;

18 (iii) the county attorney;

19 (iv) two to four resident taxpayers appointed initially by the board of county commissioners to  
20 staggered terms of 3 years, with the initial appointments of one or two taxpayer members for a 2-year term and  
21 one or two taxpayer members for a 3-year term; and

22 (v) (A) subject to subsection (4)(a)(v)(B), one resident taxpayer appointed by each of the three  
23 county officials described in subsection (4)(a)(ii).

24 (B) The appointments in subsection (4)(a)(v)(A) are not mandatory.

25 (b) The county compensation board shall hold hearings annually for the purpose of reviewing the  
26 compensation paid to county officers. The county compensation board may consider the compensation paid to  
27 comparable officials in other Montana counties, other states, state government, federal government, and private  
28 enterprise.

