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STATE OF COLORADO**

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**SENATE BILL 26-092**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE MODIFICATION OF THE SALARY CATEGORIZATION OF**  
102      **LOCALLY ELECTED OFFICERS IN SPECIFIED COUNTIES.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Current law categorizes each county for purposes of establishing the salaries of elected officers in the county. The statutory salary amounts are adjusted every 2 years for inflation and take effect for terms commencing after any change is made.

The bill changes the category of Dolores County from category V-C to category V-D and changes the category of Pitkin County from

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*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.*  
*Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

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category II-B to category I-A. The category changes will decrease Dolores County official salaries as follows:

- County commissioner salary decreases from \$67,360 to \$61,236;
- County sheriff salary decreases from \$75,511 to \$68,646;
- County treasurer, assessor, and clerk salary decreases from \$67,360 to \$61,236; and
- Part-time county coroner salary decreases from \$15,225 to \$13,841.

Pitkin County is a home rule county that may set the compensation for its officers and employees. The category changes may increase Pitkin County official salaries as follows:

- County commissioner salary increases from \$121,634 to \$158,669;
- County sheriff salary increases from \$147,135 to \$201,926;
- County treasurer, assessor, and clerk salary increases from \$121,634 to \$158,669; and
- Full-time county coroner salary increases from \$121,634 to \$158,669.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-2-102, **amend**  
3 (1.5)(a)(I)(A), (1.5)(a)(II)(B), (1.5)(a)(IV)(A), (1.5)(a)(IV)(B),  
4 (1.5)(a)(V)(C), and (1.5)(a)(V)(D) as follows:

5 **30-2-102. Categorization of counties for fixing salaries of**  
6 **county officers - salary amounts - legislative declaration.**

7 (1.5) (a) For the purpose of establishing the salaries of county  
8 officers whose terms of office begin on or after January 1, 2016:

9 (I) (A) Category I-A counties consist of the counties of Adams,  
10 Arapahoe, Boulder, Douglas, Eagle, El Paso, Jefferson, Larimer, PITKIN,  
11 Pueblo, Routt, Summit, and Weld;

12 (II) (B) Category II-B counties consist of the ~~counties~~ COUNTY of  
13 Fremont. ~~and Pitkin.~~

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1 (IV) (A) Category IV-A counties consist of the counties of Custer,  
2 LAKE, and Prowers;

3 (B) Category IV-B counties consist of the counties of Kit Carson  
4 Lake, and Washington;

5 (V) (C) Category V-C counties consist of the counties of Bent and  
6 Dolores CHEYENNE;

7 (D) Category V-D counties consist of the county of Cheyenne  
8 DOLORES.

9 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
10 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
11 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
12 12, 2026, if adjournment sine die is on May 13, 2026); except that, if a  
13 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
14 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
15 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
16 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
17 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
18 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.