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Seventy-fifth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO**

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LLS NO. 25-0520.01 Megan McCall x4215

**HOUSE BILL 25-1229**

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**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None),**

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**House Committees**

State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE MODIFICATION OF THE SALARY CATEGORIZATION OF**  
102 **COUNTY OFFICERS IN MESA COUNTY.**

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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>.)*

Under current law, elected county officials in certain counties may elect to receive a salary that is 50% lower than the salary amount for that county official as set by law. This election must be set forth and recorded with the office of a county's clerk and recorder during the month of November.

The bill modifies this election to allow elected county officials in

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any county to elect to receive any amount of salary lower than the amount set by law or to receive no salary. The election must be made annually and submitted to the county treasurer no later than 30 days before the county's next fiscal year. The bill also extends to district attorneys, in substantially the same manner, the ability to elect to receive a lower salary than the amount set by law or to receive no salary.

For purposes of establishing the salaries of county elected officers, each county in the state is delineated into a specified category. The bill changes Mesa county's categorization from category I-D to category I-A, effective January 1, 2029, which will result in an accompanying percentage increase for the county's elected officials.

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

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3           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 30-2-102, **amend**  
4 (1.5)(a)(I)(B) as follows:

5           **30-2-102. Categorization of counties for fixing salaries of**  
6 **county officers - salary amounts - legislative declaration.** (1.5) (a) For  
7 the purpose of establishing the salaries of county officers whose terms of  
8 office begin on or after January 1, 2016:

9           (I) (B) Category I-D counties consist of the county of Mesa;  
10 EXCEPT THAT, ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2029, MESA COUNTY IS A  
11 CATEGORY I-A COUNTY.

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

- 1 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.