

## CHAPTER 485

## DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATORS

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**485.018. SALARY, COUNTIES UNDER 75,000 INHABITANTS.**

Subdivision 1. [Repealed, 1999 c 60 s 3]

Subd. 2. **Set by board.** Except in counties in a judicial district under section 480.181, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), the county board annually shall set by resolution the salary of the court administrator of district court which shall be paid to the court administrator of district court at such intervals as the board shall determine but not less often than once each month. At the January meeting the board shall set by resolution the salary to be paid the court administrator of district court for the term next following. In the event a vacancy occurs in the office of the court administrator of district court the board may set the annual salary for the remainder of the calendar year at an amount less than was set for that year. The salary of the court administrator of district court shall not be reduced during the term for which the court administrator is appointed.

In the event that duties are assigned to the court administrator of district court which are in addition to the court administrator's duties as court administrator, additional compensation may be provided for the additional duties. The county board by resolution shall determine the additional compensation which shall be paid and specify the duties for which the additional compensation is to be paid.

*[For text of subd 2a. see M.S.1998]*

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1999 c 60 s 3]

Subd. 5. **Collection of fees.** The court administrator of district court shall charge and collect all fees as prescribed by law and all such fees collected by the court administrator as court administrator of district court shall be paid to the county treasurer. Except for those portions of forfeited bail paid to victims pursuant to existing law, the county treasurer shall forward all revenue from fees and forfeited bail collected under chapters 357, 487, and 574 to the state treasurer for deposit in the state treasury and credit to the general fund, unless otherwise provided in chapter 611A or other law, in the manner and at the times prescribed by the state treasurer, but not less often than once each month. If the defendant or probationer is located after forfeited bail proceeds have been forwarded to the state treasurer, the state treasurer shall reimburse the county, on request, for actual costs expended for extradition, transportation, or other costs necessary to return the defendant or probationer to the jurisdiction where the bail was posted, in an amount not more than the amount of forfeited bail. The court administrator of district court shall not retain any additional compensation, per diem or other emolument for services as court administrator of district court, but may receive and retain mileage and expense allowances as prescribed by law.

Subd. 6. **Budget for office.** Except in counties in a judicial district under section 480.181, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), the county board by resolution shall provide the budget for (1) the salaries of deputies, court administrators and other employees in the office of the court administrator of district court; (2) other expenses necessary in the performance of the duties of said office and (3) the payment of premiums of any bonds required of the court administrator of district court or any deputy, court administrator or employee in said office and the board is authorized to appropriate funds therefor and for the salary of the court administrator of district court.

*[For text of subd 8, see M.S.1998]*

**History:** 1999 c 60 s 2; 1999 c 216 art 7 s 30,31; 1999 c 243 art 11 s 7

**NOTE:** Laws 1999, chapter 216, article 7, section 46, subdivision 1, provides specific effective dates for the state takeover of court administration costs under subdivisions 2 and 6, as amended by Laws 1999, chapter 216, article 7, sections 30 and 31.

**NOTE:** The amendment to subdivision 5 by Laws 1999, chapter 243, article 11, section 7, is effective July 1, 2000, with respect to counties in the fifth, seventh, and ninth judicial districts. Laws 1999, chapter 243, article 11, section 13.

**485.03 DEPUTIES.**

(a) The county board shall determine the number of permanent full time deputies, clerks and other employees in the office of the court administrator of district court and shall fix the compensation for each position. The county board shall also budget for temporary deputies and other employees and shall fix their rates of compensation. This paragraph does not apply to a county in a judicial district under section 480.181, subdivision 1, paragraph (b).

(b) The court administrator shall appoint in writing the deputies and other employees, for whose acts the court administrator shall be responsible, and whom the court administrator may remove at pleasure. Before each enters upon official duties, the appointment and oath of each shall be filed with the county recorder.

**History:** 1999 c 216 art 7 s 32

**NOTE:** Laws 1999, chapter 216, article 7, section 46, subdivision 1, provides specific effective dates for the state takeover of court administration costs under this section, as amended by Laws 1999, chapter 216, article 7, section 32.

**485.27 DUTIES; ASSIGNMENT.**

The court administrator, with approval of the county board of commissioners, may transfer to the county board of commissioners duties of the court administrator relating to vital statistics under sections 144.211 to 144.227, to notaries public under section 359.061, to hospital liens under sections 514.69 and 514.70, and to marriage licenses under chapter 517. The county board of commissioners shall assign these duties to the appropriate county department. In the event of full state funding of the court administrator's offices in a judicial district, the functions shall become county functions in that judicial district.

**History:** 1999 c 216 art 7 s 33

**NOTE:** Laws 1999, chapter 216, article 7, section 46, subdivision 1, provides specific effective dates for the state takeover of court administration costs under this section, as amended by Laws 1999, chapter 216, article 7, section 33.