



# Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

## Legislation Text

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A resolution adopting an annual salary increase for general officers and the Sheriff of the Metropolitan Government.

WHEREAS, state law authorizes the county legislative body to increase the compensation for certain elected officials above the minimum amount set forth in T.C.A. 8-24-102; and,

WHEREAS, RS2003-1564 provided for an increase of \$8,000 and \$8,800 in compensation for general officers and the Sheriff respectively; and,

WHEREAS, this additional compensation has not been adjusted since its approval in 2003; and,

WHEREAS, salaries for other Metropolitan Government employees have been adjusted by a cost of living increase most years since 2003; and,

WHEREAS, Metro Human Resources recommends an increase in the annual salaries of the Davidson County Assessor of Property, Circuit Court Clerk, Clerk and Master, County Clerk, Criminal Court Clerk, Juvenile Court Clerk, Register of Deeds, Sheriff, and Trustee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the annual salary for the following general officers of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County - the Assessor of Property, Circuit Court Clerk, Clerk and Master, County Clerk, Criminal Court Clerk, Juvenile Court Clerk, Register of Deeds, and Trustee - shall be \$11,143.11 over the minimum salary determined pursuant to T.C.A. 8-24-102, effective July 1, 2023, and thereafter.

Section 2. That the annual salary for the Sheriff of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County shall be \$12,257.42 over the minimum salary determined pursuant to T.C.A. 8-24-102, effective July 1, 2023, and thereafter.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

### Analysis

This resolution increases the annual salary for general officers and the Sheriff of the Metropolitan Government.

According to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-24-102, "general officers" include the Davidson County assessor of property, circuit court clerk, clerk and master, county clerk, criminal court clerk, juvenile court clerk, register of deeds, and trustee. The state law also requires that the salary of the sheriff be at least 10% higher than the general officers. The salary set by state law for general officers including assessor of property, clerk and master county clerk, juvenile court clerk, register of deeds, trustee is \$157,052. The salary set by state law for circuit court clerk and criminal court clerk is \$172,757.20 - note that this higher salary reflects that the clerks of court serve more than one clerk. The salary set by state law for sheriff is \$190,032.92.

This resolution increases the salary for all general officers by \$11,143.11 over the minimum salary. The salary for sheriff would be increased by \$12,257.42 over the minimum salary.