



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

**HB3495**

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Justin Slaughter

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

705 ILCS 105/27.3

from Ch. 25, par. 27.3

Amends the Clerks of the Courts Act. Provides that in addition to the compensation provided by the county board, each clerk of the circuit court shall receive an award of \$35,000 annually from the State for the additional duties imposed by Public Act 101-652. This stipend must be adjusted annually to reflect the annual cost of living adjustment in Social Security and Supplemental Security Income benefits that are applicable.

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1 AN ACT concerning the courts.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Clerks of Courts Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 27.3 as follows:

6 (705 ILCS 105/27.3) (from Ch. 25, par. 27.3)

7 Sec. 27.3. Compensation.

8 (a) The county board shall provide the compensation of  
9 Clerks of the Circuit Court, and the amount necessary for  
10 clerk hire, stationery, fuel and other expenses. Beginning  
11 December 1, 1989, the compensation per annum for Clerks of the  
12 Circuit Court shall be as follows:

13 In counties where the population is:

14	Less than 14,000 .....	at least \$13,500
15	14,001-30,000.....	at least \$14,500
16	30,001-60,000.....	at least \$15,000
17	60,001-100,000 .....	at least \$15,000
18	100,001-200,000.....	at least \$16,500
19	200,001-300,000.....	at least \$18,000
20	300,001- 3,000,000 .....	at least \$20,000
21	Over 3,000,000 .....	at least \$55,000

22 (b) In counties in which the population is 3,000,000 or  
23 less, "base salary" is the compensation paid for each Clerk of

1 the Circuit Court, respectively, before July 1, 1989.

2 (c) The Clerks of the Circuit Court, in counties in which  
3 the population is 3,000,000 or less, shall be compensated as  
4 follows:

5 (1) Beginning December 1, 1989, base salary plus at  
6 least 3% of base salary.

7 (2) Beginning December 1, 1990, base salary plus at  
8 least 6% of base salary.

9 (3) Beginning December 1, 1991, base salary plus at  
10 least 9% of base salary.

11 (4) Beginning December 1, 1992, base salary plus at  
12 least 12% of base salary.

13 (d) In addition to the compensation provided by the county  
14 board, each Clerk of the Circuit Court shall receive an award  
15 from the State for the additional duties imposed by Sections  
16 5-9-1 and 5-9-1.2 of the Unified Code of Corrections, Section  
17 10 of the Violent Crime Victims Assistance Act, and other  
18 laws, in the following amount:

19 (1) \$3,500 per year before January 1, 1997.

20 (2) \$4,500 per year beginning January 1, 1997.

21 (3) \$5,500 per year beginning January 1, 1998.

22 (4) \$6,500 per year beginning January 1, 1999.

23 Judicial Stipend. In addition to the compensation provided  
24 by the county board, each Clerk of the Circuit Court shall  
25 receive an award of \$35,000 annually from the State for the  
26 additional duties imposed by Public Act 101-652. This stipend

1 must be adjusted annually to reflect the annual cost of living  
2 adjustment in Social Security and Supplemental Security Income  
3 benefits that are applicable.

4 The total amount required for such awards shall be  
5 appropriated each year by the General Assembly to the Supreme  
6 Court, which shall distribute such awards in annual lump sum  
7 payments to the Clerks of the Circuit Court in all counties.  
8 This annual award, and any other award or stipend paid out of  
9 State funds to the Clerks of the Circuit Court, shall not  
10 affect any other compensation provided by law to be paid to  
11 Clerks of the Circuit Court.

12 (e) (Blank).

13 (f) No county board may reduce or otherwise impair the  
14 compensation payable from county funds to a Clerk of the  
15 Circuit Court if the reduction or impairment is the result of  
16 the Clerk of the Circuit Court receiving an award or stipend  
17 payable from State funds.

18 (Source: P.A. 100-987, eff. 7-1-19.)