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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA 19:45-7 (County boards of election--  
increase members' salaries)

LAWS 1980 CHAPTER 186

Bill No. S1250

Sponsor(s) Orechio

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Committee: Assembly County Government

Senate County and Municipal Government

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Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Below)
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Senate	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Following were printed:

Reports	<del>Yes</del>	No
Hearings	<del>Yes</del>	No

Sponsor's statement:

This bill increases the salaries of members of county boards of elections and provides that certain commissioners of registration receive the same salary as secretaries of county boards of elections who also perform the duties of a commissioner of registration.

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# SENATE, No. 1250

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED APRIL 28, 1980

By Senator ORECHIO

Referred to Committee on County and Municipal Government

AN ACT concerning elections and amending R. S. 19:45-7.

1 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
2 of New Jersey:

1 1. R. S. 19:45-7 is amended to read as follows:

2 19:45-7. The compensation of the members of the several county  
3 boards shall be as follows:

County Population	Minimum Salary	Maximum Salary
4 Over 600,000 . . . . .	<b>[\$6,500.00]</b> \$8,700.00	<b>[\$8,700.00]</b> \$10,600.00
5 200,000 to 600,000 . . .	<b>[\$4,500.00]</b> \$6,000.00	<b>[\$6,000.00]</b> \$ 8,000.00
6 150,000 to 200,000 . . .	<b>[\$3,400.00]</b> \$4,500.00	<b>[\$4,500.00]</b> \$ 6,000.00
7 115,000 to 150,000 . . .	<b>[\$2,800.00]</b> \$3,700.00	<b>[\$3,700.00]</b> \$ 5,000.00
8 55,000 to 115,000 . . .	<b>[\$2,400.00]</b> \$3,200.00	<b>[\$3,200.00]</b> \$ 4,500.00
9 Less than 55,000 . . . .	<b>[\$2,100.00]</b> \$2,800.00	<b>[\$2,800.00]</b> \$ 3,800.00

10 provided, however, that any increases herein granted shall be  
11 effected only upon the approval of the \***[board of chosen free-**  
12 **holders]**\* *\*governing body\** in the county affected.

13 The compensation fixed and determined under any of the fore-  
14 going classifications shall include all services rendered by any  
15 county board in conducting all elections, and in connection with any  
16 recount or recheck after any such election.

17 The members of the county board in counties other than counties  
18 of the first class and in counties of the first class not having a  
19 superintendent of elections who shall be elected as chairman and  
20 secretary thereof and who shall perform the duties of chairman  
21 and secretary thereof shall each receive an additional compensation  
22 of one-half of the compensation of the individual members of the  
23 board.

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

24 **[**The commissioner of registration in a county of the first class  
 25 having a superintendent of elections shall receive not less than  
 26 \$7,500.00 nor more than \$10,000.00, as shall be determined by the  
 27 county board of freeholders, for services performed as such com-  
 28 missioner of registration, and the commissioner of registration in  
 29 a county of the second class having a superintendent of elections  
 30 shall receive \$2,500.00 per annum for services performed as such  
 31 commissioner of registration, and for] **\*\*[For]\*\*** **\*\*The commis-**  
 32 *sioner of registration in a county of the first class having a super-*  
 33 *intendent of elections shall receive not less than \$10,000.00 nor*  
 34 *more than \$12,500.00, as shall be determined by the governing body,*  
 35 *for services performed as such commissioner of registration, and*  
 36 *the commissioner of registration in a county of the second class*  
 37 *having a superintendent of elections shall receive \$2,500.00 per*  
 38 *annum for services performed as such commissioner of registra-*  
 39 *tion, and for\*\** such services performed by a commissioner of  
 40 registration in a county not having a superintendent of elections  
 41 additional compensation shall be paid to such commissioner in an  
 42 amount equal to 50% of his salary as member and secretary of  
 43 the county board. In counties of the second class and in counties  
 44 of the first class not having a superintendent of elections where a  
 45 member of the county board serves as commissioner of registra-  
 46 tion, he shall receive no additional compensation for the perform-  
 47 ance of his duties as such commissioner unless he shall devote  
 48 his full time to the performance of his duties as member of the  
 49 county board, secretary thereof, and commissioner of registration.  
 50 "Full time" as here used means such time as is duly required of  
 51 employees in the office of the county board. **\*\*[The]\*\*** **\*\*Not-**  
 52 *withstanding the above, the\*\** commissioner of registration in a  
 53 *county having a superintendent of elections\*\**, upon the approval  
 54 *of the governing body of the county,\*\** shall receive a salary not  
 55 *less than \*\*[that]\*\** **\*\*the maximum\*\*** which the secretary of a  
 56 *county board of elections in a county of the same class, not having*  
 57 *a superintendent of elections\*,\* would receive for performing the*  
 58 *duties of secretary and commissioner of registration. \*\*This mini-*  
 59 *imum does not reduce the current base salary for any superinten-*  
 60 *dent who also serves as commissioner of registration.\*\**

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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ASSEMBLY COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 1250**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: SEPTEMBER 15, 1980

Senate Bill No. 1250 would increase the minimum and maximum amount which counties may pay members of county election boards in compensation for services. The bill, in effect, provides that the current maximum salary in each population category would become the minimum, with a new maximum established for each. The new salaries would take effect only upon the approval of the governing body of the county.

As received by the committee, the bill further provided that the commissioner of registration in a county having a superintendent of elections would receive the same salary as do secretaries of county boards of elections who also perform the duties of commissioner of registration.

The committee amended the bill to provide that the salary of a commissioner of registration in a county having a superintendent of elections shall be subject to the approval of the governing body of the county. The committee also amended the bill to give the governing body of counties of the first class which have a superintendent of elections an option in determining the salary of the county commissioner of registration. As amended, the bill provides that the governing body may either pay such a commissioner of registration not less than \$10,000.00 nor more than \$12,500.00 as compensation for his services as commissioner of registration; or, may pay such commissioner a salary not less than the maximum which a secretary of a county board of elections in a county of the same class, which does not have a superintendent of elections, receives for performing the duties of secretary and commissioner of registration. The bill provides that such a secretary receive: (1) for performing the duties of secretary—an amount equal to one-half the compensation of the individual board members, and, (2) for performing the duties of commissioner of registration—an amount equal to one-half his salary as member and secretary of a county board.

In addition, the committee amended the bill to eliminate the possibility that this bill would unintentionally have an adverse impact on any incumbent superintendent of elections.

SENATE COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL  
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 1250**

with Senate committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 19, 1980

Senate Bill No. 1250 would increase minimum amount and the maximum amount which counties may pay members of county election boards in compensation for services. The bill in effect provides that the current maximum salary in each population category would become the minimum, with a new maximum established for each. The new salaries would take effect only upon approval of the county governing body.

The bill also provides that the commissioner of registration in a county having a superintendent of elections shall receive the same salary as do secretaries of county boards of elections who also perform the duties of commissioner of registration.

The committee amendments are purely technical in nature and are designed to conform the language of the statute with the provisions of the "Optional County Charter Law" (P. L. 1972, c. 154; C. 40:41A-1 et seq.).

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

JANUARY 14, 1981

PATRICK SWEENEY

Governor Brendan Byrne has signed the following bills:

S-1225, sponsored by Senator William J. Hamilton, Jr. (D-Middlesex), which will require the Attorney General to include in his annual report to the Governor and the Legislature statistical information pertaining to grants of immunity.

The information required includes:

- The number of persons to whom immunity was granted or approved;
- The number of indictments dismissed as a result of the granting or approval of immunity and the nature of the charges included therein;
- The number of convictions obtained in cases in which a person or persons had immunity granted to them or approval;
- The number of persons adjudged in contempt for refusal to testify as a result of a grant or approval of immunity;
- The number of persons committed to jail as a result of an adjudication of contempt in subsection above;
- The number of persons who have purged themselves after being committed to jail;
- Such other information as the Attorney General deems appropriate.

S-1250, sponsored by Senator Carmen A. Orechio (D-Essex), which will permit certain salary increases to all county election board members and to the commissioners of registration in Hudson, Essex, and Bergen Counties at the discretion of the respective county governing bodies.

All increased costs of this bill will be borne by the counties but the increases are not mandatory. The last increase for board members was in 1975.

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