




**STATE OF TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION  
STATE CAPITOL  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-0285**

**BUTCH ELEY  
COMMISSIONER**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Justin P. Wilson  
Comptroller of the Treasury

**FROM:** Butch Eley   
Commissioner of Finance and Administration

**DATE:** May 20, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Compensation of County Officials – Revision to Original Certification

On October 30, 2020, we certified the average annualized general increase in state employee compensation was 0.00% in fiscal year 2020-2021. This certification reflected the appropriations authorized under 2020 Public Acts, Chapters 651 and 760, in effect at that time.

In developing the budget for fiscal year 2021-2022, the Governor made a recommendation to award retroactive pay increases for state employees in fiscal year 2020-2021. These pay increases are funded as supplemental appropriations in fiscal year 2020-2021 and as recurring annualized cost increases in fiscal year 2021-2022. These recommendations were approved by the Legislature and are authorized under 2021 Public Acts, Chapter 454.

Under Provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-24-102, I certify that the average annualized general increase in state employee compensation be revised to 2.00% in fiscal year 2020-2021. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 8-24-102(d) provides that the annualized general salary increase for certain county officials shall not exceed five percent (5%) in any given year.

There are no other recurring compensation or benefits adjustments for state employees in the appropriations act which would affect the county officials' salary adjustment pursuant to the law cited above.

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Attachment

cc: Jim Arnette  
Director, Local Government Audit