

1 HOUSE BILL 428

2 **52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO COUNTIES; PERMITTING CERTAIN COUNTIES TO SET ANNUAL
12 SALARIES FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 4, Article 44 NMSA
16 1978 is enacted to read:

17 "[NEW MATERIAL] OFFICIALS--SALARIES.--

18 A. Notwithstanding the salaries provided for in
19 Section 4-44-4 NMSA 1978 for class A counties and the salaries
20 provided for in Section 4-44-14 NMSA 1978 for H class counties,
21 an incorporated or urban county that has adopted a charter may
22 by ordinance set the annual salary for some or all of its
23 elected and appointed officers pursuant to this section, but no
24 salary shall be set to exceed ninety-five thousand dollars
25 (\$95,000) per year.

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B. The charter of an urban or incorporated county may provide for the officers of the county to be elected; provided that in each urban or incorporated county, there shall be, at a minimum, the following elected officers:

(1) a county commission or county council, with no fewer than five members;

(2) a county clerk; and

(3) a county sheriff."

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2015.