



2013 SENATE BILL 156

April 25, 2013 – Introduced by Senators HARSDORF, GROTHMAN and JAUCH, cosponsored by Representatives MURTHA, BERNIER, BIES, BORN, BROOKS, KNUDSON, T. LARSON, MARKLEIN, MURPHY, A. OTT, RINGHAND, RIPP, SPIROS, STRACHOTA, VRUWINK and WRIGHT. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 59.38 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** payment of county
2 medical examiners and medical examiner’s assistants.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, salaries of most county officers and employees must be paid at the end of each month unless the county board specifies that salaries be paid semimonthly or every two weeks. Also under current law, the salaries of county medical examiners and medical examiner’s assistants must be paid semimonthly.

This bill eliminates the specification that the salaries of medical examiners and medical examiner’s assistants be paid semimonthly.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 59.38 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 **59.38 (1) MEDICAL EXAMINER, ASSISTANTS; SALARIES; FEES; REPORT.** The medical
5 examiner and medical examiner’s assistants authorized by the board shall be paid
6 semimonthly out of the county treasury of the proper county, for the performance of
7 all their official duties and in lieu of all other compensation, salaries to be fixed by

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1 the board. The medical examiner and medical examiner's assistants shall collect for
2 all services performed, except in cases where the county is solely liable, all fees that
3 coroners are by law entitled to receive, and shall keep accurate books of account in
4 which shall be entered from day to day the items of services rendered, the titles of
5 the proceedings in which and the names of the persons for whom rendered, and the
6 fees charged and received, and shall, at the end of every 3 months, render to the board
7 and to the treasurer an accurate report or statement, verified by his or her oath, of
8 all fees and income collected by them or for them during the 3 months; and at the
9 same time they shall pay to the treasurer all fees and incomes collected by them, or
10 which they were entitled by law to charge or receive, not paid to the treasurer. The
11 medical examiner or a medical examiner's assistant shall act as coroner in another
12 county when requested to do so under s. 59.34 (2) (b).

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