1   AN ACT

2   relating to the amount of compensation and allowances for certain

3   county auditors.

4   BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5   SECTION 1. Section 152.032, Local Government Code, is

6   amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to

7   read as follows:

8   (a) Except as provided by Subsections [Subsection] (b) and

9   (d), the amount of the compensation and allowances of a county

10   auditor may not exceed the amount of the compensation and

11   allowances received from all sources by the highest paid elected

12   county officer, other than a judge of a statutory county court,

13   whose salary and allowances are set by the commissioners court.

14   (d) This subsection applies only to a county with a

15   population of more than 800,000 that uses an automated system to

16   enhance internal controls of county finances through the use of

17   automated edit checks of its automated purchasing system and its

18   comprehensive automated payroll system. The amount of the

19   compensation and allowances of a county auditor in a county

20   governed by this subsection may exceed the limit imposed by

21   Subsection (a) if the compensation and allowances are approved by

22   the commissioners court. If a county is governed by this subsection

23   and Subsection (b), the amount of compensation and allowances

24   received by the county auditor may not exceed the limit imposed by

1 Subsection (b).

2   SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

6 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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President of the Senate   Speaker of the House

     I certify that H.B. No. 1681 was passed by the House on May 9, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 128, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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                          Chief Clerk of the House

     I certify that H.B. No. 1681 was passed by the Senate on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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                          Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____
                Date

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        Governor