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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to Escambia County; to authorize the sheriff, county commission, and a municipality to contract for the sheriff to provide police services for the municipality; to provide for the expenditure of funds; and to authorize the county commission to provide a supplemental salary to the sheriff for the performance of additional duties relating to the contracting of police services for a municipality.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) Any municipality within Escambia County may contract with the Sheriff of Escambia County for police services. The contract may include enforcement by the sheriff, or his or her duly commissioned deputies, of all laws within the corporate limits and police jurisdiction of the municipality, including municipal ordinances, and the arrest or citation of any offenders as if the sheriff, or his or her duly commissioned deputies, were duly constituted police officers of the municipality.

(b) A municipality entering into a contract pursuant to subsection (a) shall pay to the county treasury a sum sufficient to provide the necessary manpower and equipment as



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29 mutually agreed upon by the municipal governing body, the  
30 sheriff, and the county commission.

31 (c) The county commission shall receive from the  
32 municipality the funds paid under the contract for police  
33 services and may expend funds for police services in the  
34 municipality, including the police jurisdiction of the  
35 municipality.

36 (d) Each contract between the sheriff and a  
37 municipality must have the consent and approval of the sheriff  
38 and the county commission.

39 (e) The sheriff and his or her duly commissioned  
40 deputies, in the performance of any duties carried out  
41 pursuant to a contract with a municipality, shall retain the  
42 legal and constitutional immunity afforded to each of them by  
43 law.

44 (f) (1) The Escambia County Commission may by resolution  
45 of the commission provide a supplemental salary to the sheriff  
46 for the performance of additional duties relating to the  
47 contracting of police services for a municipality. The  
48 performance of additional duties relating to the contracting  
49 of police services for a municipality by the sheriff shall be  
50 pursuant to an agreement between the sheriff and the county  
51 commission subject to approval of the county commission.

52 (2) The supplemental salary shall be paid by the county  
53 for the performance of additional duties by the sheriff and  
54 shall not be considered a part of the regular salary of the  
55 sheriff. In the event the county commission or sheriff  
56 withdraws from the agreement, the supplemental salary shall be



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57 discontinued. The supplemental salary provided by this  
58 subsection shall not affect or increase the compensation of  
59 any supernumerary sheriff in the county.

60 Section 2. This act shall become effective on June 1,  
61 2026.