## WHY "CIRCUIT COURT CLERK" EXPENSE ACCOUNTS SHOULDN'T BE CUT

- County official's (County Judge/Executive, Sheriff, PVA, Jailer, Justice of the Pease, Coroners, County Clerk) compensation may include an approximate <u>\$4,052 annual</u> <u>training incentive</u>, which is not available to Circuit Clerks.
- Counties with a population more than 70,000 pay all fees from County Clerks, & Sheriffs into the State Treasury, the salaries and office costs are redrawn out of the State Treasury, but not exceeding 75% of the fees collected by the officer
- Jailers and Circuit Clerks are <u>no longer fee officers</u>, but the fees collected by the sheriff and the county clerk must be paid to the finance and administration cabinet
- County Officials salaries are approximately 16% higher than Circuit Court Clerk's
- Any increases for Circuit Clerks are established in the Judicial Branch Budget, which is proposed by the Chief Justice and passed by the General Assembly
- Salary figures for county officials does <u>not include expense allowance</u> for County Judge/Executive, Sheriff, PVA, Jailer, Justice of the Peace, Coroners, County Clerk

Population Level 0-9,999 10,000-19,999 20,000-29,999 30,000-44,999 45,000-59,999	Circuit Clerk Salary \$76,682 \$82,253 \$87,830 \$93,708 \$99,062 \$104,633	County Official Salary \$89,291 \$95,848 \$103,132 \$108,961 \$115,518 \$122,074	Difference \$ \$12,609 \$13,595 \$15,302 \$15,253 \$16,456 \$17,441	Difference % 16.44% 16.53% 17.42% 16.28% 16.61% 16.67%
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\* This does not compare the 0-5000 population level (Hickman, Owsley, Robertson) because the Circuit Clerks schedule does not have that level

\*County Official salary figures reflect approximately \$4,000 in available training incentives for county officials

\*County Official salary figures reflect Step 4 of their salary schedule