

TASK FORCE PROPOSAL ON COMMISSIONER COMPENSATION

Recommendation: Miami-Dade County established an annual salary of \$6,000 for County Commissioners in 1957, when the County's Home Rule Charter was adopted. While the demands of the position of County Commissioner have grown substantially, the salary has remained the same. Miami-Dade County is now the most populous county in the State of Florida with a population of over 2.4 million residents and a budget in excess of \$7 billion. Other counties in the State of Florida compensate their Commissioners at a significantly higher rate than in Miami-Dade County as established annually by the State based upon the population of the County. Establishing a salary established by State law for County Commissioners will provide incentive for additional individuals to become candidates for the office.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER

SECTION 1.06. – SALARY.

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Each County Commissioner shall receive a ~~[[salary of \$6,000 per year]]~~ >>yearly salary in accordance with general law applicable to non-charter counties which shall be << payable monthly and shall be entitled to be reimbursed for such reasonable and necessary expenses as may be approved by the Board.