

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BENITO

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BENITO AMENDING)
ARTICLE 1 (“IN GENERAL”) OF CHAPTER 3.01) ORDINANCE NO. ____
 (“ADMINISTRATION GENERALLY”) OF TITLE 3 OF THE SAN)
BENITO COUNTY CODE TO SPECIFY COMPENSATION PAID TO)
GRAND JURORS IN SAN BENITO COUNTY)
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The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Benito ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (A) of Section 3.01.012 of Article I of Chapter 3.01, “Administration Generally” of Title 3 of the San Benito County Code is hereby amended to read as follows. The remaining subsections of 3.01.012 shall remain unchanged.

- A. The fee/compensation for grand jurors shall be \$15 a day for each day’s attendance as a grand juror, or at such increased rate as state law may hereinafter establish, not to exceed one per diem fee per day and a maximum of eight per month.
1. To receive reimbursement, the meeting, event, training, and/or investigation must be a minimum of two hours exceptions may be approved by the majority of the Grand Jury. Non-specific general interest attendances at County or City agency meetings are not reimbursable.
 2. Members of the Grand Jury shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary mileage driven in their private vehicles to and from attendance at any committee meeting of the Grand Jury; facility; or authorized interviews with witnesses in connection with approved Grand Jury investigations.
 3. The rates applicable to the County employees under the County’s travel and reimbursement policies, apply to the Grand Jury. Grand Jury members are encouraged to carpool when possible.
 4. Members of the Grand Jury shall be reimbursed for actual travel expenses incurred for out-of-county travel to attend grand juror training, upon advance authorization of the majority of the grand jury, and if sufficient funds are available in the Grand Jury’s budget.

SECTION 2. CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY AND ENACTMENT.

A. Section 1 shall be codified in the San Benito County Code. The remaining sections shall not be codified.

B. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion(s) of this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase be declared invalid.

C. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage and approval. Prior to the expiration of fifteen (15) days from the final passage hereof, the clerk of the San Benito County Board of Supervisors shall cause this ordinance, or a summary thereof, to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of San Benito.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on the 23rd day of July, 2019. Final passage and adoption by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Benito was at a regular meeting of said Board held on 6rd day of August, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisor(s)
NOES: Supervisor(s)
ABSTAIN: Supervisor(s)
ABSENT: Supervisor(s)

By: _____
Mark Medina, Chair
San Benito County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Janet Slibsager, Clerk
San Benito Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM
Barbara Thompson
County Counsel

By: _____
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Barbara Thompson

Date: _____

Date: _____