

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 2.14 OF TITLE 2 OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY
CODE ENTITLED
"COMPENSATION AND MILEAGE FOR GRAND JURORS AND PETIT JURORS"**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino ordains as follows:

Chapter 2.14 of Title 2 of the Mendocino County Code is repealed and replaced to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 2.14 - GRAND JURY COMPENSATION AND MILEAGE"

Section 2.14.010 – Grand Jury Compensation and Mileage.

- A. Pursuant to authority contained in Penal Code section 890, the Auditor is directed to reimburse the County Grand Jurors a sum to be adopted, from time to time, by resolution of the Board of Supervisors for attendance as Grand Jurors at all committee or full panel meetings of the Grand Jury, up to a maximum of twelve (12) meetings per month except the Foreperson, or Pro Tem, who shall be reimbursed for up to a maximum of twenty (20) meetings per month.
- B. The Foreperson of the County Grand Jury shall establish with the Auditor the number of miles between the County Administration Center and each Grand Juror's residence. The Auditor is hereby directed, upon presentation of the official mileage claims, to compensate Grand Jurors for mileage traveled to and from meetings of the County Grand Jury or any committee thereof at the rate established by the County as the mileage reimbursement rate. Grand Jurors conducting official business in the County seat and who reside more than thirty (30) miles from the County seat may elect to stay overnight rather than drive back and forth to their residences and will be reimbursed for lodging and dinner costs incurred for no more than two (2) nights per week exclusive of the State Grand Jury Training. Lodging shall not exceed the established local government hotel rate, and dinner shall be reimbursed at rates set for County employees. Grand Jurors will be entitled to reimbursement for a single lunch per day at the County rate only after a Grand Juror has attended in person and not remotely, a minimum of three (3) consecutive hours of full panel or committee meetings, investigative sessions or other legitimate activities such as orientation sessions and training sessions between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.. All meal and mileage reimbursement and fees for attendance shall be payable to Grand Jurors for committee meetings, investigative sessions by less than the full Grand Jury or other legitimate activities such as orientation sessions and training sessions, subject to budget limitations imposed by the Board of Supervisors. Any expenditure that exceeds the authorized budget must be approved in advance by the Chief Executive Officer, or their designee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, State of California, on this _____ day of _____, 2026, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared the Ordinance passed and adopted and **SO ORDERED**.

ATTEST: DARCIE ANTLE
Clerk of the Board

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
KATHARINE L. ELLIOTT
Interim County Counsel

BERNIE NORVELL, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

BY: DARCIE ANTLE
Clerk of the Board

Deputy