

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1459

By: Settle and Stottlemire
of the House

and

Robinson of the Senate

(elections - amending 26 O.S., Section 2-117 -
secretary of county election board - effective date)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1991, Section 2-117, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-117. The secretary of the county election board shall be the administrative officer of the county election board and shall have general supervisory authority over the several precinct election boards within the county. In counties having seventeen thousand five hundred or more registered voters, the secretary shall have the authority to employ and/or terminate an assistant secretary and such other employees as are necessary to perform the duties of the county election board. In counties having fewer than seventeen thousand five hundred registered voters, the secretary shall employ a chief clerk and such other employees as are necessary to perform the duties of the county election board. The secretary shall be charged with the operational responsibilities of the board, including, but not limited to, supervision, defining job positions and responsibilities of the employees, preparation of the annual budget, preparation and filing of all reports, and the

implementation of policy, findings and actions lawfully prescribed or determined by the county election board. The ~~minimum~~ salary of the assistant secretary ~~shall be equal to the salary of the highest salaried first or chief deputy or assistant to any county officer in the same county, or shall be equal to~~ and the chief clerk may not exceed ninety percent (90%) of the scheduled salary of ~~a full-time an election board~~ secretary in the same county, ~~whichever is lower.~~ The ~~minimum salary of the chief clerk shall be equal to one-half (1/2) of the salary of the highest salaried first or chief deputy or assistant to any county officer in the same county, or ninety percent (90%) of the scheduled salary of a full-time secretary in the same county, whichever is lower.~~ Salaries of additional personnel, including personnel employed temporarily, shall not exceed the salary of the assistant secretary or chief clerk and shall be comparable to salaries paid for the same positions in other offices within the county. The salaries of the assistant secretary, chief clerk and other personnel shall be paid from county funds on a monthly or twice-a-month basis.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-129.1 of Title 26, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

An additional Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) per election shall be paid to each inspector, judge, clerk and counter of a precinct from the funds of the county.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 1991, Section 2-101.6, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-101.6 The ~~Secretary of the Senate shall serve as~~ Governor shall appoint the Secretary of the State Election Board at a salary established annually by the Legislature. However, the Secretary shall not be a member of the State Election Board.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 1995.

Passed the House of Representatives the 2nd day of March, 1995.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1995.

President of the Senate