

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 46th Legislature (1997)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1826

By: Hamilton and Settle of the
House

and

Haney and Hobson of the
Senate

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Court of Criminal Appeals;

specifying that funds be included in certain budget categories; authorizing employment of temporary employees; exempting temporary employees from budgetary limitations; providing for duties and compensation of employees; limiting the salaries of judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals; providing budgetary limitations; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, the Court of Criminal Appeals shall budget all funds in the following categories and amounts:

| <u>Category</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Court Operations | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |

SECTION 2. The Court of Criminal Appeals is authorized to employ temporary employees as may be necessary to relieve the

backlog of criminal appeal cases. Personnel employed pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be exempt from the limitation on full-time-equivalent employees provided in Section 3 of this act.

SECTION 3. The duties and compensation of employees, not otherwise prescribed by law, necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Court of Criminal Appeals by law shall be set by the Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals. The salary of the Presiding Judge shall not exceed ____ Dollars (\$0.00) per annum, payable monthly, and the salary of each of the four other Judges shall not exceed _____ Dollars (\$0.00) each per annum payable monthly for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998. The Court of Criminal Appeals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, shall be subject to the following budgetary limitations on full-time-equivalent employees and expenditures, except as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

| <u>Budgetary Limitation</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Full-time-equivalent Employees | 0.0 |
| Lease-purchase Agreements | \$0.00 |

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 1997.

SECTION 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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