

SHORT TITLE: Budget limits for the district courts; effective date.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 46th Legislature (1998)

SENATE BILL NO. 913

By: Haney and Hobson of the
Senate

and

Hamilton and Settle of the
House

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the district courts; requiring budgeting in certain categories and amounts; limiting the number and salaries of certain judges; limiting the number and salaries of certain employees; authorizing the total or partial refund of payments to the State Judicial Fund by local court funds under certain circumstances; allowing claims to be filed with the Administrative Office of the Courts under certain circumstances; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, the district courts 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. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, the annual compensation of officials and employees of the district courts

payable monthly from appropriated funds shall not exceed the following schedule, exclusive of overtime and longevity payments, except as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

TITLE	NUMBER	ANNUAL
	AUTHORIZED	SALARY
District Judge	72	\$88,511.00
Associate District Judge		
County Population over 30,000	32	\$82,004.00
County Population 10,000 to 30,000	30	\$75,530.00
County Population under 10,000	15	\$69,056.00
Special Judge	77	\$69,056.00

SECTION 3. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, the annual compensation of officials and employees of the district courts payable monthly from appropriated funds shall not exceed the following schedule, exclusive of overtime and longevity payments, except as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

TITLE	NUMBER AUTHORIZED	ANNUAL	
		SALARY RANGE	
		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Court Reporter	191	\$19,236.00	
			\$28,174.00
Trial Court Administrator	2	\$0.00	\$0.00
Secretary to Administrative District 9	Presiding Judge of the Judicial	\$11,849.00	\$17,827.00
Secretary Bailiff	151	\$11,051.00	
			\$17,351.00
Budget Analyst	2	\$32,000.00	
			\$54,847.00
TOTAL	583.0		

SECTION 4. A. Payments made by local court funds to the State Judicial Fund pursuant to Section 1308 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes during fiscal year 1999 may be totally or partially refunded upon approval by the Chief Justice to meet unpaid expenses authorized by Section 1304 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes. All such refunds shall be paid from the Supreme Court Revolving Fund.

B. When local court funds are insufficient to meet unpaid expenses authorized by Section 1304 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes or outstanding liabilities for constitutionally mandated services and items of expense, a claim may be filed with the Administrative Office of the Courts by a Court Fund Governing Board, or by the person or corporation to whom money is due as verified by the Court Fund Governing Board or by the Administrative Office of the Courts. All such claims shall be filed with the Administrative Office of the Courts by July 31, 1999. All such claims may be paid from the Supreme Court Revolving Fund upon approval of the Chief Justice.

SECTION 5. This act shall become effective September 1, 1998.

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