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THE STATE SENATE
Wednesday, February 17, 1999

Senate Bill No. 245
As Amended

SENATE BILL NO. 245- By: KERR and CAPPS of the Senate and FIELDS of the House.

[Department of Public Safety - Communications Division -
salary - Probationary Communications Dispatchers -
effective date - emergency]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 8, Chapter 245, O.S.L.
1998 (47 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 2-105.8), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-105.8 A. There is hereby established the Communications Division within the Department of Public Safety. This division shall be divided into a Dispatchers Bureau and a Technicians Bureau and such other bureaus as the Commissioner may direct.

B. Before the Department of Public Safety may add or change any communication site or dispatch office, the Commissioner of Public Safety shall submit a plan for approval by the Legislature.

C. 1. Effective January 1, 1999, the annual salaries for the positions of Director, Coordinator, Superintendent, Supervisor and Dispatcher within the Communications Division shall be in accordance and conformity with the following salary schedule and as prescribed

(Bold face denotes Committee Amendments)

1 by paragraph 2 of this subsection, exclusive of longevity pay, as
2 authorized by Section 840-2.18 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
3 expense allowance, as authorized by Section 2-130 of this title, and
4 irregular shift pay, as authorized by Section 2-130.1 of this title:

5	Communications Director	\$45,215.00
6	Communications Coordinator	\$41,105.00
7	Communications Superintendent	\$37,368.00
8	Communications Supervisor	\$33,971.00
9	Communications Dispatcher	
10	Step 1	\$22,404.00
11	Step 2	\$22,964.00
12	Step 3	\$23,538.00
13	Step 4	\$24,126.00
14	Step 5	\$24,729.00
15	Step 6	\$25,347.00
16	Step 7	\$25,981.00
17	Step 8	\$26,631.00
18	Step 9	\$27,297.00
19	Step 10	\$27,979.00
20	Step 11	\$28,678.00
21	Step 12	\$29,395.00
22	Step 13	\$30,130.00
23	Step 14	\$30,883.00

1 c. has not received any disciplinary action which has
2 resulted in demotion.

3 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 of this
4 subsection, in any twelve-month period no Dispatcher shall receive:

5 a. a salary increase which exceeds an increase to the
6 next higher step of the salary schedule provided for
7 in paragraph 1 of this subsection, or

8 b. more than one such salary increase to the step of the
9 salary schedule provided for in paragraph 1 of this
10 subsection, unless salary increases are authorized by
11 the Legislature.

12 Provided, however, such Dispatcher shall receive the salary increase
13 which results from a promotion to another position within the
14 Communications Division.

15 5. The steps prescribed for the position of Communications
16 Dispatcher in the salary schedule provided for in paragraph 1 of
17 this subsection are for salary and compensation purposes only. No
18 Communications Dispatcher shall be reassigned to another such step
19 of said salary schedule for the purposes of demotion, discipline,
20 promotion, incentive, reward or for any other reason other than the
21 salary increase provided for in paragraph 2, 3 or 4 of this
22 subsection.

1 6. The provisions of this subsection shall supersede all
2 existing laws covering the salaries for the positions in the
3 Communications Division of the Department of Public Safety, as set
4 out in this subsection.

5 7. Upon completion of the probationary period, as required in
6 subsection C of Section 2-105 of this title, each Probationary
7 Communications Dispatcher shall be promoted to and shall receive the
8 salary for Step 1 of the position of Communications Dispatcher, as
9 provided for in paragraph 1 of this subsection. Thereafter, the
10 salary of such Communications Dispatcher shall be subject to the
11 provisions of this subsection.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1999.

13 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
14 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
15 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
16 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 2-10-99 - DO
18 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.