ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1173

By: Benge and Newport of the House

and

Morgan and Crutchfield of the Senate

(Supreme Court - budgetary limitations - effective date -

emergency)

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

SECTION 1. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the Supreme Court shall budget all funds in the following categories and amounts:

Category	Appropriation	Total
Supreme Court Justices	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Court of Civil Appeals	0.00	0.00
Administrative Office of the Courts	0.00	0.00
Court Clerk's Office	0.00	0.00
Legal Aid Services Contract	0.00	0.00
Management Information Services	0.00	0.00
Dispute Mediation	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	$0.00	$0.00

SECTION 2. The duties and compensation of employees, not otherwise prescribed by law, necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Supreme Court by law shall be set by the Supreme Court Justices by majority vote.

SECTION 3. The duties and compensation of employees, not otherwise prescribed by law, necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Court of Civil Appeals by law shall be set by the Court of Civil Appeals, subject to the approval of the Supreme Court.

SECTION 4. The Supreme Court and the Court of Civil Appeals for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, shall be subject to the following budgetary limitations on full-time-equivalent employees, excluding active retired judges, and expenditures, excluding expenditures for capital and special projects and excluding lawful expenditures from the State Judicial Fund, except as may be authorized pursuant to the provisions of Section 3603 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

Budgetary Limitation	Amount
Full-time-equivalent Employees	0.0
Lease-Purchase Agreements	$0.00

SECTION 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 2005.

SECTION 6. 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.

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of March, 2005.

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Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2005.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate