

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 397

By: Crain of the Senate

and

Sullivan and Tibbs of the
House

An Act relating to counties and county officers;
amending 19 O.S. 2001, Sections 957-1, 960 and 961,
which relate to contributions to county retirement
systems; modifying amount of employer contribution;
placing cap on total amount of employee and employer
contributions; providing an effective date; and
declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2001, Section 957-1, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 957-1. The county commissioners of any county
establishing a drainage district or districts, and establishing a
county retirement system, in addition to the duties and authority
now provided by law, are hereby authorized to pay into the
retirement system of such county for the use and benefit of the
employees eligible for retirement benefits, such amounts as the said
board of county commissioners may authorize by resolution not
exceeding ~~ten percent (10%)~~ of the current annual salaries of all
employees to be covered in the following percentages:

July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010 15 1/2%

July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011
and each year thereafter 16 1/2%

Beginning July 1, 2009, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed sixteen and one-half percent (16.5%) of the monthly compensation of each member. Provided further, that drainage district employees becoming qualified by this act shall be credited as to eligibility for the full time of their county employment; and, provided further, in the event of retroactive eligibility such employees shall be required to pay into the retirement system fund an amount equal to that which would have otherwise been paid by such employees in order to gain credit for such time of employment.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2001, Section 960, is amended to read as follows:

Section 960. ~~(a)~~ A. In addition to all other items which are now or may hereafter be authorized to be paid from the court fund, it shall be the mandatory duty of the governing board of the court fund to pay annually for the sole use of the retirement system a sum equal to the contributions made to the retirement fund by the employees, but not to exceed ~~ten percent (10%)~~ the following percentages of the current annual salaries of all employees whose salaries are paid either in whole or in part out of the court funds of such county:

<u>July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010</u>	<u>15 1/2%</u>
<u>July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011</u> <u>and each year thereafter</u>	<u>16 1/2%</u>

Beginning July 1, 2009, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed sixteen and one-half percent (16.5%) of the monthly compensation of each member.

~~(b)~~ B. It shall be the mandatory duty of the governing board of the court fund to pay annually from the court fund to a county retirement system which is not a participant in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the employer's contribution for that court reporter who pursuant to the provisions of Section ~~5, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 1969 (20 O.S. Supp. 1969, Section 1004)~~ 106.8 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes, exercised his or her option to continue as a member of the county retirement system following January 13, 1969. The contributions to be so paid shall be limited to the

amount provided for in subsection ~~(a) hereof~~ A of this section. The provisions of this subsection ~~(b)~~ shall operate retroactively to take effect on and after January 13, 1969.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2001, Section 961, is amended to read as follows:

Section 961. In addition to all other items which are now or may hereafter be authorized to be paid from the Law Library Fund, it shall be the mandatory duty of the trustees of the Law Library Fund to pay annually for the sole use of the retirement system a sum equal to the contributions made to the Retirement Fund by the employees, but not to exceed ~~ten percent (10%)~~ the following percentages of the current annual salaries of all employees whose salaries are paid either in whole or in part out of the Law Library Fund of such county:

July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010 15 1/2%

July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011
and each year thereafter 16 1/2%

Beginning July 1, 2009, the total employer and employee contributions shall not exceed sixteen and one-half percent (16.5%) of the monthly compensation of each member.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2009.

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.

Passed the Senate the 3rd day of March, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of April, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives