

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

3 SENATE BILL 20

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to compensation of employees of
8 juvenile bureaus and certain detention homes;
9 amending 10 O.S. 2001, Section 7305-1.7, as last
10 amended by Section 75, Chapter 234, O.S.L. 2009, and
11 as renumbered by Section 186, Chapter 234, O.S.L.
12 2009 (10A O.S. Supp. 2010, Section 2-4-107), which
relates to salaries and expenses of employees of
juvenile bureaus and detention homes; modifying
language; providing for certain compensation;
providing an effective date; and declaring an
emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2001, Section 7305-1.7, as
17 last amended by Section 75, Chapter 234, O.S.L. 2009, and as
18 renumbered by Section 186, Chapter 234, O.S.L. 2009 (10A O.S. Supp.
19 2010, Section 2-4-107), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 2-4-107. A. 1. The salary of the director and other
21 employees of the juvenile bureau and any detention home established
22 pursuant to Section 2-4-108 of this title shall be fixed by the
23 judge of the Juvenile Division, subject to the general
24 administrative authority of the county commissioners of the

1 contracting county. The base salary of the director shall not
2 exceed ninety percent (90%) of salaries of county Class A officers.
3 If the county provides longevity and other monetary benefits to its
4 employees, the director shall be entitled to compensation for
5 accrued longevity and other monetary benefits in addition to the
6 base salary.

7 2. The salary of supervisors with intake or probation duties
8 shall not exceed eighty-five percent (85%) of Class A county
9 officers.

10 3. The salary of employees with case, probation, counseling or
11 juvenile duties shall not exceed eighty percent (80%) of Class A
12 county officers.

13 B. The judge of the Juvenile Division, subject to the general
14 administrative authority of the county commissioners of the
15 contracting county, may fix a limit on the amount of expenses that
16 may be incurred by the director and assistants to the director, such
17 limit to be in the judgment of the judge adequate to care for the
18 expenses necessary to carrying out the orders of the court in an
19 efficient and expedient manner. The director and assistants to the
20 director and other personnel of the court shall keep and maintain
21 their offices at the place where the office of the judge of the
22 court is kept, unless the judge of the Juvenile Division, subject to
23 the general administrative authority of the county commissioners of
24 the contracting county, shall direct otherwise. The offices of the

1 director and assistants to the director shall contain adequate
2 equipment, desk space and consultation rooms necessary for
3 appropriate office procedure.

4 C. In addition to their salaries, the director and assistants
5 to the director shall be reimbursed at the same rate as state
6 employees for mileage traveled by them in the investigation of court
7 cases and in supervising probationers. The director and assistants
8 may also receive reimbursement, at the rate and in the manner
9 applicable to other county officers, for actual and necessary
10 expenses incurred by them in attending conferences, meetings,
11 seminars or official business of the court either within or outside
12 of the State of Oklahoma.

13 D. In all counties having a juvenile bureau, the budget of the
14 juvenile bureau for salaries and expenses of the director,
15 counselors and other employees shall be established and funded as
16 follows:

17 1. All expenses incurred in complying with the provisions of
18 this article shall be a county charge;

19 2. The salaries and other compensation of all employees of the
20 juvenile bureau shall be fixed by the judge within the limit of the
21 total appropriations therefor; and

22 3. It is made the duty of the county excise board to make the
23 necessary appropriation and levy for the payment of salaries of the
24 director and all other employees, together with the expenses of

1 administering the bureau, consistent with the duty to do likewise
2 with the budget estimates of other county officers under the board's
3 jurisdiction, as required by the Constitution and laws of this
4 state.

5 4. Except in instances where it is entitled to representation
6 because of insurance coverage, the district attorney of the county
7 in which the juvenile bureau is located shall represent the juvenile
8 bureau and any employee who was acting in his or her official
9 capacity at the time of the act or omission complained of in any
10 lawsuit. If the district attorney has a conflict of interest or
11 otherwise declines to represent the juvenile bureau or its
12 employees, the county commissioners may request the assistance of
13 the Attorney General or authorize the employment of private counsel
14 for the juvenile bureau and its employees in their official
15 capacity.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2011.

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

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