

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 54th Legislature (2014)

3 HOUSE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 1096

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Joint Resolution disapproving certain action by the
9 Board on Judicial Compensation; and declaring an
10 emergency.

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12 WHEREAS, the Board on Judicial Compensation, convening on
13 September 17, 2013, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.3
14 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes issued a final report
15 increasing judicial salaries; and

16 WHEREAS, salary increases were approved for the Chief Justice of
17 the Supreme Court, Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, the
18 Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, Judges of the
19 Court of Criminal Appeals, the Presiding Judge of the Court of Civil
20 Appeals, Judges of the Court of Civil Appeals, District Court
21 Judges, Associate District Court Judges, and Special District Court
22 Judges; and

1 WHEREAS, the Final Report of the Board on Judicial Compensation
2 stated that the salaries for these positions would be as follows,
3 beginning July 1, 2014:

4	Chief Justice of the Supreme Court	\$164,640.00
5	Associate Justices of the Supreme Court	\$154,174.00
6	Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals	\$159,583.00
7	Judges of the Court of Criminal Appeals	\$154,174.00
8	Presiding Judge of the Court of Civil Appeals	\$148,764.00
9	Judges of the Court of Civil Appeals	\$146,059.00
10	District Court Judges	\$139,298.00
11	Associate District Court Judges	\$128,479.00
12	Special District Court Judges	\$117,659.00; and

13 WHEREAS, the Legislature, as the branch of state government
14 designated to enact a budget and appropriate funds for the operation
15 of state government, must ensure that all expenditures of state
16 funds are made in a manner that is fiscally prudent; and

17 WHEREAS, the action of the Board on Judicial Compensation does
18 not reflect the will of the Legislature; and

19 WHEREAS, salary increases for statewide elected officials will
20 go into effect automatically if salary increases for judicial
21 offices go into effect, resulting in further expenditures.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
23 AND THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 54TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

1 SECTION 1. Pursuant to the authority of the Legislature, as
2 provided in Section 3.2 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the
3 Final Report of the Board on Judicial Compensation, issued on
4 September 17, 2013, establishing new salaries for justices and
5 judges is hereby disapproved.

6 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
7 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
8 declared to exist, by reason whereof this resolution shall take
9 effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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