

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 SENATE JOINT
4 RESOLUTION 54

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6 AS INTRODUCED

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

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

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

21 WHEREAS, salary increases for statewide elected officials will
22 go into effect automatically if salary increases for judicial
23 officers go into effect, resulting in further expenditures; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Legislature, as the branch of state government
2 designated to enact a budget and appropriate funds for the operation
3 of state government, must ensure that all expenditures of state
4 funds are made in a manner that is fiscally prudent; and

5 WHEREAS, the action of the Board does not reflect the will of
6 the Legislature.

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

9 SECTION 1. Pursuant to the authority of the Legislature, as
10 provided in Section 3.2 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the
11 Final Report of the Board on Judicial Compensation, issued on
12 September 17, 2013, establishing pay increases for judges is hereby
13 disapproved.

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

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