

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2770

By: Caldwell (Trey) and Kane of
the House

and

Hall and Haste of the
Senate

9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 An Act relating to courts; amending 20 O.S. 2021,
11 Section 3.1, 30.2A, 31.2, and 92.1A, which relates to
12 judicial salaries; clarifying applicability;
13 providing exceptions based on certain future actions;
14 modifying salary references; providing an effective
15 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2021, Section 3.1, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 A. For fiscal year ~~2021~~ 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter,
20 except as otherwise provided by the Board on Judicial Compensation
21 after the effective date of this act, the following judicial
22 officers shall receive compensation for their services, payable
23 monthly as follows:

24 1. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall receive an
annual salary of ~~One Hundred Seventy-two Thousand Forty-nine Dollars~~

1 ~~(\$172,049.00)~~ One Hundred Ninety-eight Thousand Two Hundred Twelve
2 Dollars (\$198,212.00); and

3 2. An Associate Justice of the Supreme Court shall receive an
4 annual salary of ~~One Hundred Sixty-one Thousand One Hundred Twelve~~
5 ~~Dollars (\$161,112.00)~~ One Hundred Eighty-five Thousand Six Hundred
6 Twelve Dollars (\$185,612.00).

7 B. Any increase in salary provided for in subsection A of this
8 section must be paid from existing available funds.

9 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2021, Section 30.2a, is
10 amended to read as follows:

11 A. For fiscal year ~~2021~~ 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter,
12 except as otherwise provided by the Board on Judicial Compensation
13 after the effective date of this act, the following judicial
14 officers shall receive compensation for their services, payable
15 monthly as follows:

16 1. The Presiding Judge of the Court of Civil Appeals shall
17 receive an annual salary of ~~One Hundred Fifty-five Thousand Four~~
18 ~~Hundred Fifty-nine Dollars (\$155,459.00)~~ One Hundred Seventy-nine
19 Thousand Ninety-nine Dollars (\$179,099.00); and

20 2. A Judge of the Court of Civil Appeals shall receive an
21 annual salary of ~~One Hundred Fifty-two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-~~
22 ~~two Dollars (\$152,632.00)~~ One Hundred Seventy-five Thousand Eight
23 Hundred Forty-four Dollars (\$175,844.00).

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1 B. Any increase in salary provided for in subsection A of this
2 section must be paid from existing available funds.

3 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2021, Section 31.2, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 A. For fiscal year ~~2021~~ 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter,
6 except as otherwise provided by the Board on Judicial Compensation
7 after the effective date of this act, the following judicial
8 officers shall receive compensation for their services, payable
9 monthly as follows:

10 1. The Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals shall
11 receive an annual salary of ~~One Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Seven~~
12 ~~Hundred Sixty-five Dollars (\$166,765.00)~~ One Hundred Ninety-two
13 Thousand One Hundred Twenty-six Dollars (\$192,126.00); and

14 2. A Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals shall receive an
15 annual salary of ~~One Hundred Sixty-one Thousand One Hundred Twelve~~
16 ~~Dollars (\$161,112.00)~~ One Hundred Eighty-five Thousand Six Hundred
17 Twelve Dollars (\$185,612.00).

18 B. Any increase in salary provided for in subsection A of this
19 section must be paid from existing available funds.

20 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2021, Section 92.1A, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 For fiscal year ~~2021~~ 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter,
23 except as otherwise provided by the Board on Judicial Compensation
24 after the effective date of this act, the following judicial

officers shall receive compensation for their services, payable
monthly as follows:

1. A judge of the district court shall receive an annual salary
of ~~One Hundred Forty-five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-seven Dollars~~
~~(\$145,567.00)~~ One Hundred Sixty-seven Thousand Seven Hundred Three
Dollars (\$167,703.00);

2. An associate district judge shall receive an annual salary
of ~~One Hundred Thirty-four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-one Dollars~~
~~(\$134,261.00)~~ One Hundred Fifty-four Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-
eight Dollars (\$154,678.00); and

3. A special judge shall receive an annual salary of ~~One~~
~~Hundred Twenty-two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-four Dollars~~
~~(\$122,954.00)~~ One Hundred Forty-one Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-one
Dollars (\$141,651.00).

SECTION 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

SECTION 6. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
of the public peace, health or 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.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JOINT COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
AND BUDGET, dated 05/19/2025 - DO PASS, As Amended.