1-7                   COMMITTEE VOTE

|  | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1-9 Huffman | X |  |  |  |
| 1-10 Hinojosa | X |  |  |  |
| 1-11 Bettencourt | X |  |  |  |
| 1-12 Campbell | X |  |  |  |
| 1-13 Creighton | X |  |  |  |
| 1-14 Flores | X |  |  |  |
| 1-15 Hall | X |  |  |  |
| 1-16 Hancock | X |  |  |  |
| 1-17 Hughes |  |  | X |  |
| 1-18 Kolkhorst | X |  |  |  |
| 1-19 Nichols | X |  |  |  |
| 1-20 Paxton | X |  |  |  |
| 1-21 Perry | X |  |  |  |
| 1-22 Schwertner | X |  |  |  |
| 1-23 West | X |  |  |  |
| 1-24 Whitmire | X |  |  |  |
| 1-25 Zaffirini | X |  |  |  |

1-26 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2779          By: Huffman

1-27                  A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-28                    AN ACT

1-29 relating to the compensation and retirement benefits of certain
1-30 elected state officials.
1-31     BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-32     SECTION 1.  Section 659.012(b), Government Code, is amended
1-33 to read as follows:
1-34     (b)  A judge or justice for whom the amount of a state base
1-35 salary is prescribed by Subsection (a) is entitled to an annual
1-36 salary from the state in the amount equal to:
1-37         (1)  110 percent of the state base salary paid in
1-38 accordance with Subsection (a) for the judge's or justice's
1-39 position, beginning with the pay period that begins after the judge
1-40 or justice accrues four years of:
1-41             (A)  contributing service credit in the Judicial
1-42 Retirement System of Texas Plan One or the Judicial Retirement
1-43 System of Texas Plan Two;
1-44             (B)  service as a judge of a statutory county
1-45 court, multicounty statutory county court, or statutory probate
1-46 court; or
1-47             (C)  combined contributing service credit and
1-48 service as provided by Paragraphs (A) and (B); [and]
1-49         (2)  120 percent of the state base salary paid in
1-50 accordance with Subsection (a) for the judge's or justice's
1-51 position, beginning with the pay period that begins after the judge
1-52 or justice accrues eight years of:
1-53             (A)  contributing service credit in the Judicial
1-54 Retirement System of Texas Plan One or the Judicial Retirement
1-55 System of Texas Plan Two;
1-56             (B)  service as a judge of a statutory county
1-57 court, multicounty statutory county court, or statutory probate
1-58 court; or
1-59             (C)  combined contributing service credit and
1-60 service as provided by Paragraphs (A) and (B); and

2-1           (3)   130 percent of the state base salary paid in
2-2 accordance with Subsection (a) for the judge's or justice's
2-3 position, beginning with the pay period that begins after the judge
2-4 or justice accrues 12 years of:
2-5                (A)  contributing service credit in the Judicial
2-6 Retirement System of Texas Plan One or the Judicial Retirement
2-7 System of Texas Plan Two;
2-8                (B)  service as a judge of a statutory county
2-9 court, multicounty statutory county court, or statutory probate
2-10 court; or
2-11                (C)  combined contributing service credit and
2-12 service as provided by Paragraphs (A) and (B).
2-13        SECTION 2.  Section 659.0445(b), Government Code, is amended
2-14 to read as follows:
2-15        (b)  The monthly amount of longevity pay under this section
2-16 to which a judge or justice described by Subsection (a) is entitled:
2-17           (1)  is equal to the product of 0.05 multiplied by the
2-18 amount of the judge's or justice's current monthly state salary; and
2-19           (2)  becomes payable beginning with the month following
2-20 the month in which the judge or justice completes 14 [12] years of
2-21 service for which credit is established in the applicable
2-22 retirement system.
2-23        SECTION 3.  Sections 814.103(a) and (a-1), Government Code,
2-24 are amended to read as follows:
2-25        (a)  Except as provided by Subsection (a-1) or (b), the
2-26 standard service retirement annuity for service credited in the
2-27 elected class of membership is an amount equal to the number of
2-28 years of service credit in that class, times 2.3 percent of the
2-29 state base salary, excluding longevity pay payable under Section
2-30 659.0445 [and as adjusted from time to time], being paid to a
2-31 district judge as set by the General Appropriations Act in
2-32 accordance with Section 659.012(a).
2-33        (a-1)  Except as provided by Subsection (b), the standard
2-34 service retirement annuity for service credited in the elected
2-35 class of membership for a member of the class under Section
2-36 812.002(a)(3) whose effective date of retirement is on or after
2-37 September 1, 2019, is an amount equal to the number of years of
2-38 service credit in that class, times 2.3 percent of the state salary,
2-39 excluding longevity pay payable under Section 659.0445 [and as
2-40 adjusted from time to time], being paid in accordance with Section
2-41 659.012 to a district judge who has the same number of years of
2-42 contributing service credit as the member on the member's last day
2-43 of service as a district or criminal district attorney, as
2-44 applicable.
2-45        SECTION 4.  Section 834.102(a), Government Code, is amended
2-46 to read as follows:
2-47        (a)  The base service retirement annuity for a person whose
2-48 effective date of retirement is:
2-49           (1)  before September 1, 2019, is an amount equal to 50
2-50 percent of the state base salary[, as adjusted from time to time,]
2-51 being paid in accordance with Section 659.012(a) to a judge of a
2-52 court of the same classification as the court on which the retiree
2-53 last served before retirement; or
2-54           (2)  on or after September 1, 2019, is an amount equal
2-55 to 50 percent of the state salary[, as adjusted from time to time,]
2-56 being paid in accordance with Section 659.012(b)(2) to a judge of a
2-57 court of the same classification as the court on which the retiree
2-58 last served before retirement.
2-59        SECTION 5.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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