# **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 832 By: Hughes Judiciary Committee Report (Unamended)

## BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The need for increased judicial pay has over time become greater in Texas. In addition, judges who take complex cases should be entitled to additional compensation

#### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### ANALYSIS

The bill adds a new Section 659.0126 to the Government Code to give an increase in salary to a district judge presiding over a multidistrict lawsuit within a state fiscal year equal to the increase for a local administrative judge (\$5,000). The bill also provides that such supplemental compensation will not be included for purposes of computations based on judicial salaries.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2005