

AN ACT

relating to the compensation paid to retired and former judges or justices while assigned as visiting judges in certain courts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 74.061(h) and (i), Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(h) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), the salary from the state of a retired judge or justice assigned to a district court is determined pro rata on the sum of the regular judge's salary from the county plus the greater of:

(1) the regular judge's salary from the state on August 31, 2007 [~~1997~~]; or

(2) 100 [~~85~~] percent of the regular judge's salary from the state, [~~or a greater percentage of that salary, not to exceed 100 percent,~~] as established by the General Appropriations Act for any fiscal year.

(i) Notwithstanding Subsection (d), the salary from the state of a former judge or justice assigned to a district court is determined pro rata on the greater of:

(1) the regular judge's salary from the state on August 31, 2007 [~~1997~~]; or

(2) 100 [~~85~~] percent of the regular judge's salary from the state, [~~or a greater percentage of that salary, not to exceed 100 percent,~~] as established by the General Appropriations Act for

1 any fiscal year.

2 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
3 to the assignment of a retired or former judge or justice made on or  
4 after the effective date of this Act. An assignment made before the  
5 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the  
6 time the assignment was made, and the former law is continued in  
7 effect for that purpose.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3135 was passed by the House on May 9, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 0, 3 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3135 was passed by the Senate on May 21, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor