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H.B. No. 3135

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the compensation paid to visiting judges.

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

SECTION 1. Section 74.061, Government Code, is 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 any fiscal year.

1           (j) A judge or justice who sits as an assigned judge for half  
2 a day or less shall be compensated in an amount that is equal to  
3 one-half of the amount to which a judge or justice is entitled for  
4 sitting as an assigned judge for a full day under this section.

5           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.