86R13282 SRS-D

By:  Hughes S.B. No. 1979

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the annual salary of a statutory probate judge.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 25.0023, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a)  Subject to Subsection (a-1), the [~~The~~] commissioners court shall set the annual salary of each judge of a statutory probate court at an amount that is at least equal to the total annual salary received by a district judge in the county. A district judge's or statutory probate court judge's total annual salary includes contributions and supplements paid by the state or a county, other than contributions received as compensation under Section 25.0022(e).

(a-1)  A judge of a statutory probate court is entitled to an annual salary, not including contributions and supplements paid by the state or county, in the amount that is equal to the salary to which a district judge with the same number of years of service credit in the Judicial Retirement System of Texas Plan One or the Judicial Retirement System of Texas Plan Two is entitled under Section 659.012(b).

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies beginning with the first pay period that begins on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019, but only if S.B. 387, Acts of the 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019, or similar legislation becomes law. If that bill or similar legislation does not become law, this Act has no effect.