By: Hughes S.B. No. 900

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the reimbursement of certain expenses of appellate
- 3 court justices and judges.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 22, Government Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 22.3015 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 22.3015. EXPENSES OF APPELLATE COURT JUDGE OR JUSTICE.
- 8 (a) A justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of criminal
- 9 appeals, or a justice of a court of appeals engaged in the discharge
- 10 of official duties in a county other than the justice's or judge's
- 11 county of residence is entitled to traveling and other necessary
- 12 expenses, as provided by Chapter 660.
- 13 (b) A justice of the supreme court, a judge of the court of
- 14 criminal appeals, or a justice of a court of appeals is entitled to
- 15 receive from the state the actual and necessary postage, telegraph,
- 16 and telephone expenses incurred in the discharge of official
- 17 duties.
- 18 <u>(c) The expenses shall be paid by the state on a sworn</u>
- 19 itemized account showing the expenses.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.