

CHAPTER 963

S.B. No. 1297

An Act relating to the official court reporters of the county courts at law of Lubbock County and to the salary of the judges of those courts; amending Chapter 16, Acts of the 51st Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1950, as amended, by amending Sections 21 and 23 and amending Chapter 109, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended, by amending Sections 22 and 24 (Articles 1970-340 and 1970-340.1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 21, Chapter 16, Acts of the 51st Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1950, as amended (Article 1970-340, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

"Section 21. *The [After the effective date of this amendment, the] Judge of the County Court at Law No. 1 of Lubbock County is entitled to [shall] receive an annual salary in an amount not less than 90 percent [three-fourths (3/4)] of the total annual salary paid to the Judge of the 99th Judicial District of Texas including all supplements other than the juvenile board supplement [by the State of Texas]. This sum shall be paid in equal monthly installments out of the General Fund of Lubbock County on orders from the Commissioners Court."*

SECTION 2. Section 23, Chapter 16, Acts of the 51st Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1950 (Article 1970-340, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

"Section 23. The Judge of the County Court at Law of Lubbock County, Texas, shall appoint an official shorthand reporter for such Court who shall be well skilled in his profession and shall be a sworn officer of the Court and shall hold his office at the pleasure of the Court. Such reporter shall take the oath required of official Court Reporters. *The official shorthand reporter is entitled to the same amount of fees and salary and shall perform the same duties as the official reporters for the district courts in Lubbock County. The reporter's salary shall be paid in the same manner as the salary of a district court reporter. [and shall receive a salary as set by the Commissioners Court of Lubbock County, Texas, of not less than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) per annum, to be paid out of the County Treasury of Lubbock County, Texas, as other County officials are paid, in equal monthly installments. All other provisions of] Chapter 13, Title 42, Revised [Civil] Statutes, [of Texas, 1925, as amended and as the same may hereafter be amended] and all other provisions of the law relating to official Court Reporters [shall be and is hereby made to] apply [in all its provisions] in so far as they are applicable to the official shorthand reporter herein authorized to be appointed and in so far as they are not inconsistent with this Act."*

SECTION 3. Section 22, Chapter 109, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended (Article 1970-340.1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

"Section 22. *The [After the effective date of this amendment, the] Judge of the County Court of Lubbock County and the [Judge of the County Court at Law No. 2 of Lubbock County is entitled to [shall] receive an annual salary in an amount not less than 90 percent [three-fourths (3/4)] of the total annual salary paid to the Judge of the 99th Judicial District of Texas including all supplements other than the juvenile board supplement [by the State of Texas]. This sum shall be paid in equal monthly installments out of the General Fund of Lubbock County on orders from the Commissioners Court."*

SECTION 4. Section 24, Chapter 109, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957 (Article 1970-340.1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

"Section 24. The Judge of the County Court at Law No. 2 of Lubbock County, Texas, shall appoint an official shorthand reporter for such Court who shall be well-skilled in his profession and shall be a sworn officer of the Court and shall hold his office at the pleasure of the Court. Such reporter shall take the oath required of official Court Reporters. *The official shorthand reporter is entitled to the same amount of fees and salary and shall perform the same duties as the official reporters for the district courts in Lubbock County. The reporter's salary shall be paid in the same manner as the salary of a district court reporter. [and shall receive a salary as set by the Commissioners Court of Lubbock County, Texas, of not less than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) per annum, to be paid out of the County Treasury of Lubbock County, Texas, as other County officials are paid, in equal monthly installments. All other provisions of] Chapter 13, Title 42, Revised [Civil] Statutes, [of Texas, 1925, as amended and as the same may hereafter be amended] and all other provisions of the law relating to official Court Reporters [shall be and are hereby made to] apply [in all their provisions] in so far as they are applicable to the official shorthand reporter herein authorized to be appointed and in so far as they are not inconsistent with this Act."*

SECTION 5. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on May 9, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 25, 1985, by a non-record vote.

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