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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF VARIOUS DISTRICT  
10 COURT PERSONNEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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## Subtitle

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CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF VARIOUS

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DISTRICT COURT PERSONNEL.

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-17-108 is amended to read as follows:

21 16-17-108. Salaries of personnel and other requirements of various  
22 district courts.

23 (a) Unless otherwise provided by law, the salaries of the judges and  
24 other personnel of the various district courts shall be established as  
25 follows:

26 (1)(A) The Arkansas County District Court – Northern District  
27 Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-five thousand  
28 dollars (\$35,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ seventy  
29 thousand dollars (\$70,000), the district court clerk shall receive an annual  
30 salary of not less than ~~thirteen thousand eight hundred thirty-four dollars~~  
31 ~~and ninety-two cents (\$13,834.92)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more  
32 than ~~forty-four thousand dollars (\$44,000)~~ sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000),  
33 and the deputy court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than  
34 ~~eleven thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$11,475)~~ twenty-five  
35 thousand dollars (\$25,000) nor more than ~~thirty-one thousand dollars~~  
36 ~~(\$31,000)~~ forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).



1 (B) The salaries shall be as determined by the governing  
2 body of the City of Stuttgart and the Arkansas County Quorum Court and paid  
3 one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the city and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the county;

4 (2) The Arkansas County District Court – Southern District Judge  
5 shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars  
6 (\$25,000), the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not  
7 less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), and the deputy clerk shall  
8 receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-three thousand dollars  
9 (\$23,000). The salaries shall be determined by the governing body of the City  
10 of DeWitt and the Arkansas County Quorum Court and paid one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the  
11 city and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the county;

12 (3)(A) The Ashley County District Court – Crossett Department  
13 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~fifteen thousand~~  
14 ~~dollars (\$15,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~thirty-five~~  
15 ~~thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

16 (B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range  
17 prescribed in this subdivision (a)(3), as agreed upon by the Ashley County  
18 Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Crossett;

19 (4)(A) The Ashley County District Court – Hamburg Department  
20 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~fifteen thousand~~  
21 ~~dollars (\$15,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~thirty-five~~  
22 ~~thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

23 (B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range  
24 prescribed in this subdivision (a)(4), as agreed upon by the Ashley County  
25 Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Hamburg;

26 (5) The Baxter County District Court Clerk shall receive  
27 compensation in an amount as may be provided by the City of Mountain Home and  
28 the Baxter County Quorum Court. The salary shall be paid one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the  
29 City of Mountain Home and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by Baxter County;

30 (6)(A) The Calhoun County District Court Clerk shall receive an  
31 annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000).

32 (B) The salary shall be determined by the Hampton City  
33 Council and the Calhoun County Quorum Court and shall be paid by the City of  
34 Hampton and Calhoun County in equal monthly installments;

35 (7)(A)(i) The Chicot County District Court – Dermott Department  
36 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand

1 dollars (\$14,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

2 (ii) However, the district court clerk's position may  
3 be a full-time or part-time position.

4 (B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range  
5 prescribed in subdivision (a)(7)(A)(i) of this section as agreed upon by the  
6 Chicot County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Dermott.

7 (C) The salary of the district court clerk shall be paid  
8 as follows:

9 (i) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City of  
10 Dermott; and

11 (ii) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by Chicot County;

12 (8)(A) The Chicot County District Court – Eudora Department  
13 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand  
14 dollars (\$14,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

15 (B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range  
16 prescribed in subdivision (a)(8)(A) of this section as agreed upon by the  
17 Chicot County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Eudora.

18 (C) The salary of the district court clerk shall be paid  
19 as follows:

20 (i) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City of  
21 Eudora; and

22 (ii) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by Chicot County;

23 (9)(A)(i) The Chicot County District Court – Lake Village  
24 Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen  
25 thousand dollars (\$14,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars  
26 (\$35,000).

27 (ii) If authorized by the governing body of the City  
28 of Lake Village and the Chicot County Quorum Court, the district court judge  
29 shall be authorized to employ a full-time or part-time deputy district court  
30 clerk at an annual salary of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) nor  
31 more than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000).

32 (iii) The salaries shall be in an amount within the  
33 range prescribed in this subdivision (a)(9)(A), as agreed upon by the Chicot  
34 County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Lake Village.

35 (B) The salary of the district court clerk shall be paid  
36 as follows:

1 (i) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City of  
2 Lake Village; and

3 (ii) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by Chicot County;

4 (10) The Clark County District Court Clerk shall receive an  
5 annual salary of not less than ~~thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000)~~ forty  
6 thousand dollars (\$40,000) nor more than forty-five thousand dollars  
7 (\$45,000), to be established annually by the Clark County Quorum Court. Upon  
8 approval by the Clark County Quorum Court, the Clark County District Court  
9 Judge may appoint one (1) deputy district court clerk to receive a salary as  
10 established by the Clark County Quorum Court;

11 ~~(11)(A) The clerks of the district courts in Clay County shall~~  
12 ~~receive an annual salary of not less than four thousand five hundred dollars~~  
13 ~~(\$4,500) nor more than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000), to be paid, as~~  
14 ~~well as other current benefits, in equal monthly installments by Clay County.~~

15 ~~(B) Fifty percent (50%) of the amount in each respective~~  
16 ~~department shall be reimbursed by the City of Corning, the City of Piggott,~~  
17 ~~and the City of Rector at eighteen and five tenths percent (18.5%), eighteen~~  
18 ~~and five tenths percent (18.5%), and thirteen percent (13%), respectively, to~~  
19 ~~the county treasury The salaries and operations of the Clay County District~~  
20 ~~Courts shall be funded through a written interlocal agreement between Clay~~  
21 ~~County, Greene County, and the respective cities operating a department~~  
22 ~~within Clay County and Greene County;~~

23 (12)(A) The Cleveland County District Court Clerk shall receive  
24 an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000).

25 (B) The salary shall be determined by the Rison City  
26 Council and the Cleveland County Quorum Court;

27 (13) Necessary expenses appropriated for the Craighead County  
28 District Court shall be apportioned among and paid to the county from the  
29 respective cities of the first class and cities of the second class,  
30 incorporated towns, and the government of Craighead County as a prorated  
31 amount based on the number of cases filed from each of the towns and cities  
32 and the county during the preceding calendar year;

33 (14) The Cross County District Court employees' salaries shall  
34 be as determined by the governing body of the City of Wynne, the City of  
35 Cherry Valley, and the City of Parkin, for the cities' respective  
36 departments;

1 (15)(A) The Dallas County District Court Clerks shall  
2 receive an annual salary of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000).

3 (B) The salaries shall be determined by the Fordyce City  
4 Council and the Dallas County Quorum Court, and the salaries shall be paid by  
5 the City of Fordyce and Dallas County in equal monthly installments;

6 (16)(A) The Desha County District Court – Dumas Department  
7 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than eighteen thousand  
8 dollars (\$18,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), and  
9 the deputy district clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than  
10 fourteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$14,500) nor more than thirty-five  
11 thousand dollars (\$35,000).

12 (B) The salary shall be paid one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the Desha  
13 County Quorum Court and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the City of Dumas and shall be  
14 determined by the Desha County Quorum Court and the governing body of the  
15 City of Dumas;

16 (17) The Desha County District Court – McGehee Department Clerk  
17 shall be employed and paid by the City of McGehee at such a salary as the  
18 governing body of the City of McGehee shall determine;

19 (18) The Washington County District Court – Elkins Department  
20 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~ten thousand dollars~~  
21 ~~(\$10,000)~~ forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand~~  
22 ~~dollars (\$50,000)~~ sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000);

23 (19)(A)(i) The Fulton County District Court Judge shall receive  
24 an annual salary of not less than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) nor  
25 more than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).

26 (ii) The annual salary of the Fulton County District  
27 Court Clerk shall be not less than seventeen thousand seven hundred forty-  
28 eight dollars (\$17,748) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

29 (B)(i) The expense of salaries, along with all other  
30 necessary and customary expenses of the court, shall be shared by Fulton  
31 County, the City of Salem, and the City of Mammoth Spring, based on a  
32 percentage of the actual number of cases handled through the court for each  
33 governmental entity.

34 (ii) The percentage shall be determined annually by  
35 dividing the total number of cases handled by the district court into the  
36 number of cases handled annually for each of the aforementioned governmental

1 entities.

2 (iii) On January 1 of each year, each share shall be  
3 estimated based on the number of cases handled by the district court for each  
4 of the respective governmental entities for the preceding year.

5 (iv) However, on December 31 of each year, each  
6 share shall be adjusted to reflect the actual percentage for each  
7 governmental entity for that year based on the actual case load.

8 (C) The salaries and expenses shall be paid in equal  
9 monthly installments by Fulton County, and the City of Salem and the City of  
10 Mammoth Spring shall reimburse the county on a monthly basis for their  
11 respective shares of salaries and expenses;

12 (20)(A) The Garland County District Court Clerk shall receive an  
13 annual salary of not less than twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) nor more  
14 than sixty-eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$68,400).

15 (B) The salary shall be determined by the governing body  
16 of the City of Hot Springs and the Garland County Quorum Court;

17 (21)(A) The Grant County District Court Clerk shall receive an  
18 annual salary of ~~not less than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) nor more~~  
19 ~~than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000)~~, as ~~approved~~ determined by the  
20 Grant County Quorum Court.

21 (B) The district court clerk's salary shall be paid as  
22 follows:

23 (i) Twenty-seven percent (27%) to be paid by the  
24 City of Sheridan; and

25 (ii) Seventy-three percent (73%) to be paid by Grant  
26 County;

27 ~~(22)(A) The Greene County District Court Paragould District~~  
28 ~~Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than nineteen thousand eight~~  
29 ~~hundred fifty-six dollars (\$19,856) nor more than fifty thousand dollars~~  
30 ~~(\$50,000), the chief deputy district court clerk shall receive an annual~~  
31 ~~salary of not less than sixteen thousand six hundred twenty-four dollars~~  
32 ~~(\$16,624) nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), and the deputy~~  
33 ~~district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirteen~~  
34 ~~thousand three hundred fourteen dollars (\$13,314) nor more than thirty-five~~  
35 ~~thousand dollars (\$35,000).~~

36 ~~(B) The salaries shall be determined by the Greene County~~

1 ~~Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Paragould and shall be~~  
2 ~~paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments~~ The salaries and operations of  
3 the Greene County District Courts shall be funded through a written  
4 interlocal agreement between Greene County, Clay County, and the respective  
5 cities operating a department within Greene County and Clay County;

6 (23)(A) The Hempstead County District Court Clerk shall receive  
7 an annual salary of not less than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000) nor  
8 more than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).

9 (B) The amount of the salary shall be determined by  
10 agreement between the governing body of the City of Hope and the Hempstead  
11 County Quorum Court;

12 (24) The Hot Spring County – Malvern Department District Court  
13 Judge shall be entitled to an additional deputy district court clerk whose  
14 salary shall be determined by the governing body of the City of Malvern and  
15 the Hot Spring County Quorum Court, and the salary shall be paid by the city  
16 and county in the same proportion as the city and county shared in the  
17 revenues generated by the court in the previous year;

18 (25)(A)(i) The Howard County District Court Judge shall have an  
19 annual salary of not less than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000).

20 (ii) The Howard County District Court Clerk shall  
21 receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000)  
22 nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), unless provided for otherwise  
23 by ordinance of the Howard County Quorum Court and the governing body of the  
24 City of Nashville.

25 (B) The salaries are to be paid one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the City  
26 of Nashville and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by Howard County;

27 (26)(A) The IZARD County District Court Judge shall receive an  
28 annual salary of not less than ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200) nor  
29 more than ~~forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000)~~ forty-five thousand (\$45,000),  
30 and the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than  
31 seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$7,400) nor more than ~~thirty-three~~  
32 ~~thousand dollars (\$33,000)~~ thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000).

33 (B) However, the salaries shall be subject to the approval  
34 of the Melbourne City Council and the IZARD County Quorum Court;

35 (27) The Jacksonville District Court Clerk shall receive an  
36 annual salary of not less than thirty-three thousand nine hundred thirty-

1 seven dollars (\$33,937) nor more than thirty-six thousand nine hundred  
2 dollars (\$36,900);

3 (28)(A) The Newton County District Court – Jasper Department  
4 District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-  
5 eight thousand six hundred dollars (\$28,600) nor more than thirty-five  
6 thousand dollars (\$35,000).

7 (B) All salaries and all other expenses of the office  
8 shall be paid one hundred percent (100%) by the county;

9 (29) The Jefferson County District Court clerks for Division 1  
10 and Division 2 shall receive annual salaries of not less than thirty-one  
11 thousand dollars (\$31,000) ~~nor more than fifty-four thousand dollars~~  
12 ~~(\$54,000)~~, as may be approved by the Jefferson County Quorum Court and the  
13 governing body of the City of Pine Bluff;

14 (30) The expenses related to the operation of the Johnson County  
15 District Court ~~are to be divided among the county and all cities within the~~  
16 ~~county based on the percentage of the total fine money collected during the~~  
17 ~~year by each participating entity~~ shall be apportioned between Johnson County  
18 and any city in Johnson County operating a department by agreement between  
19 the governing bodies of the county and the respective cities;

20 (31)(A) The Lafayette County – Lewisville Department District  
21 Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-two  
22 thousand dollars (\$22,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars  
23 (\$35,000), and the City of Lewisville shall pay to the district court clerk  
24 at least eight thousand eight hundred dollars (\$8,800) but not more than  
25 fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) of the salary, and Lafayette County shall  
26 pay to the district court clerk not less than thirteen thousand two hundred  
27 dollars (\$13,200) but not more than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) of  
28 the salary.

29 (B) The amount and manner of payment of the salary of the  
30 district court clerk may be established within the ranges specified in  
31 subdivision (a)(31)(A) of this section by mutual agreement of the Lafayette  
32 County Quorum Court and the Lewisville City Council, as well as the amount  
33 and manner of payment of all other expenses of operation of the Lafayette  
34 County – Lewisville Department District Court;

35 (32)(A) The Little River County District Court Judge shall  
36 receive an annual salary of not less than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)



1 nor more than ~~seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000)~~ eighty-five thousand  
2 dollars (\$85,000), as determined by the governing body of the City of Ashdown  
3 and the Little River County Quorum Court.

4 (B) The salary shall be paid sixty-two percent (62%) by  
5 Little River County and thirty-eight percent (38%) by the City of Ashdown,  
6 unless otherwise agreed by the Little River County Quorum Court and the  
7 governing body of the City of Ashdown;

8 (33)(A) Necessary expenses appropriated by the City of Lonoke  
9 for the Lonoke County District Court shall be apportioned among and paid to  
10 the City of Lonoke by the cities of the first class, cities of the second  
11 class, incorporated towns, and the county as a prorated amount based on the  
12 number of cases filed from each of the cities of the first class, cities of  
13 the second class, incorporated towns, and the county during the preceding  
14 year.

15 (B) An itemized bill shall be prepared by the City of  
16 Lonoke fixing the apportioned expenses, and payment shall be made no later  
17 than sixty (60) days following the submission by the City of Lonoke of the  
18 bills;

19 (34)(A) The Maumelle District Court Clerk shall receive an  
20 annual salary of not less than seventeen thousand five hundred dollars  
21 (\$17,500) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

22 (B) The salary of the district court clerk shall be as  
23 determined by the City of Maumelle Board of Directors;

24 (35)(A) The Miller County District Court shall have two (2)  
25 departments, the City of Texarkana Department and the Miller County  
26 Department.

27 (B) The Miller County District Court – City of Texarkana  
28 Department shall hear all civil and criminal cases arising out of violations  
29 of city ordinances and those cases arising out of violations of state laws  
30 committed within the corporate limits of the City of Texarkana and all other  
31 cases in controversy arising within the corporate limits of the city within  
32 the jurisdiction of a district court as established by law. The Miller County  
33 District Court – City of Texarkana Department shall have a chief district  
34 court clerk whose salary shall be paid by the City of Texarkana in an amount  
35 to be determined by its governing body.

36 (C) The Miller County District Court – Miller County

1 Department shall hear all civil and criminal cases arising out of violations  
2 of any of the laws of the state committed outside the corporate limits of the  
3 City of Texarkana and all other cases in controversy arising outside the  
4 corporate limits of the city within the jurisdiction of a district court as  
5 established by law. The Miller County District Court – Miller County  
6 Department shall have a chief district court clerk whose salary shall be paid  
7 by Miller County in an amount to be determined by its quorum court;

8 (36) The Monroe County District Court – Brinkley Department  
9 Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand two  
10 hundred dollars (\$10,200) nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), and  
11 the Monroe County District Court – Brinkley Department Court Clerk shall  
12 receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand four hundred eighty-  
13 eight dollars (\$10,488) and not more than thirty-seven thousand five hundred  
14 dollars (\$37,500);

15 (37) The Monroe County District Court – Clarendon Department  
16 Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than four thousand eight  
17 hundred dollars (\$4,800) and the Monroe County District Court – Clarendon  
18 Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than eight  
19 thousand nine hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$8,988);

20 (38)(A) The Montgomery County District Court clerk shall receive  
21 an annual salary of not less than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) nor  
22 more than twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000), and the district court  
23 secretary shall receive an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand  
24 dollars (\$16,000) nor more than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000).

25 (B) Montgomery County shall pay eighty percent (80%) of  
26 the salaries, and the City of Mt. Ida shall pay twenty percent (20%) of the  
27 salaries;

28 (39)(A) The Nevada County District Court Clerk salary shall be  
29 not less than twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$29,000) nor more than thirty-  
30 seven thousand dollars (\$37,000).

31 (B) The salary for the district court clerk shall be  
32 established within these ranges by the Nevada County Quorum Court and the  
33 Prescott City Council, and the salary shall be paid sixty percent (60%) by  
34 Nevada County and forty percent (40%) by the City of Prescott. The salary  
35 shall be paid in equal monthly installments;

36 (40)(A) The North Little Rock District Court Judges, Divisions 1

1 and 2, are each authorized to employ a chief district court clerk, whose  
2 salary shall be at least thirty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$32,500),  
3 a deputy district court clerk, whose salary shall be at least thirty-two  
4 thousand dollars (\$32,000), and two (2) district court clerks, whose salaries  
5 shall each be at least twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

6 (B) The North Little Rock District Court Judges, Divisions  
7 1 and 2, subject to the approval of the governing body of North Little Rock,  
8 may each employ an additional district court clerk whose salary shall be at  
9 least twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000);

10 (41) *The Pike County District Court Judge shall receive an*  
11 *annual salary of not less than six thousand dollars (\$6,000) nor more than*  
12 *thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the district court clerk shall receive*  
13 *an annual salary of not less than three thousand dollars (\$3,000) nor more*  
14 *than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) in an amount set by the Pike*  
15 *County Quorum Court. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the salaries shall be*  
16 *paid by Pike County, and twenty-five percent (25%) shall be paid by the City*  
17 *of Murfreesboro;*

18 (42)(A) The salary of the Poinsett County District Court Clerk  
19 of each department will be as determined by the Poinsett County Quorum Court  
20 and the governing body of each municipality where the department is located.

21 (B) The salary of each district court clerk shall be  
22 payable one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by Poinsett County and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by the municipality.

23 (C) Each municipality shall receive from the county each  
24 month the county's share of the district court clerk's salaries;

25 (43) The Pope County District Court Clerk shall receive an  
26 annual salary of not less than ~~twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000)~~  
27 thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand dollars~~  
28 ~~(\$50,000)~~ sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), the chief deputy district court  
29 clerk of the court shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~eighteen~~  
30 ~~thousand five hundred dollars (\$18,500)~~ twenty-seven thousand five hundred  
31 dollars (\$27,500) nor more than ~~forty-one thousand dollars (\$41,000)~~ fifty  
32 thousand dollars (\$50,000), and the deputy district court clerk of the court  
33 shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~sixteen thousand five hundred~~  
34 ~~dollars (\$16,500)~~ twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$22,500) nor more  
35 than ~~thirty-four thousand dollars (\$34,000)~~ forty-five thousand dollars  
36 (\$45,000);

1 (44) The Washington County District Court – Prairie Grove  
2 Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve  
3 thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) nor more than fifty-one thousand  
4 dollars (\$51,000);

5 (45) The Pulaski County District Court Clerk shall receive an  
6 annual salary of not less than fifty-two thousand eight hundred sixty-eight  
7 dollars (\$52,868) nor more than seventy-eight thousand nine hundred thirty-  
8 eight dollars (\$78,938), and the district court bailiff shall receive an  
9 annual salary of not less than thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000) nor more  
10 than ~~fifty five thousand three hundred fifty five dollars (\$55,355)~~ fifty-  
11 eight thousand five hundred forty-seven dollars (\$58,547);

12 (46)(A) The Saline County District Court – Benton Department  
13 Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty thousand dollars  
14 (\$30,000) nor more than ~~fifty six thousand dollars (\$56,000)~~ seventy thousand  
15 dollars (\$70,000).

16 (B) The salary shall be as determined by the governing  
17 body of the City of Benton and the Saline County Quorum Court;

18 (47)(A) The Scott County District Court clerk shall receive an  
19 annual salary of not less than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) nor more  
20 than thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000).

21 (B) The salary shall be subject to the approval of the  
22 Waldron City Council and the Scott County Quorum Court and shall be paid in  
23 equal monthly installments, one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) to be paid by the City of Waldron  
24 and one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) to be paid by Scott County;

25 (48)(A) The Searcy County District Court – Marshall Department  
26 ~~clerks~~ clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-four  
27 thousand seven hundred twenty dollars (\$24,720) nor more than thirty thousand  
28 dollars (\$30,000), as determined by the Searcy County Quorum Court and the  
29 governing body of the City of Marshall by ordinances or resolutions adopted  
30 by the respective bodies.

31 (B) ~~The salaries~~ salary of the district court ~~clerks~~ clerk  
32 shall be paid fifty percent (50%) by Searcy County and fifty percent (50%) by  
33 the City of Marshall.

34 (C) ~~The salaries~~ salary shall be paid in equal monthly  
35 installments;

36 (49)(A) The Sebastian County District Court – Fort Smith

1 District Judges, Departments 1, 2, and 3, shall jointly appoint a qualified  
2 elector of the state to serve as district court clerk.

3 (B)(i) The district court clerk shall have at least five  
4 (5) years' previous experience as a court clerk or deputy court clerk or  
5 equivalent education, training, and experience as determined by the Director  
6 of Human Resources for the City of Fort Smith.

7 (ii) Appointment and removal of the district court  
8 clerk shall be in conformance with the City of Fort Smith's current personnel  
9 policies in place at the time of appointment and removal of the district  
10 court clerk.

11 (C) The salaries of the district court clerk, deputy  
12 district court clerks, court personnel, and any special district court judges  
13 authorized by this subdivision (a)(49) and the operating expenses of the  
14 Sebastian County District Court – Fort Smith District shall be paid seventy  
15 percent (70%) by the City of Fort Smith and thirty percent (30%) by Sebastian  
16 County;

17 (50)(A) The Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District  
18 salaries of the district court clerk and the district court clerk's deputies  
19 shall be set by the Sebastian County Quorum Court.

20 (B) The salaries shall be paid ninety percent (90%) by  
21 Sebastian County and ten percent (10%) by the City of Greenwood.

22 (C) In order to defray the expenses of operating the  
23 Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District, ninety percent (90%) of  
24 the Sebastian County net fines, ten percent (10%) of the City of Greenwood  
25 net fines, and fifteen percent (15%) of all other cities' net fines processed  
26 by the Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District may or shall be  
27 deposited into a bank account entitled the "Greenwood District Court  
28 Operating Fund" to be administered by the Sebastian County District Court –  
29 Greenwood District Judge under a budget approved as follows:

30 (i) The district court judge shall submit a proposed  
31 annual budget to a committee composed of the members of the quorum court that  
32 represent the Greenwood District of Sebastian County;

33 (ii) The committee shall approve the district court  
34 judge's budget or formulate a reasonable budget that shall be approved by the  
35 Sebastian County Quorum Court, unless found by a majority of the quorum court  
36 to be clearly excessive; and

1 (iii) If funds provided from the fines as set out in  
2 this subdivision (a)(50) become insufficient or excessive, the committee  
3 shall adjust the percentage of fines on a pro rata basis to increase or  
4 decrease the funds necessary to operate the district court pursuant to the  
5 budget established in this subdivision (a)(50).

6 (D) The Sebastian County District Court Judge – Greenwood  
7 District shall be bonded in accordance with §§ 19-1-401 – 19-1-403;

8 (51)(A) The Sevier County District Court Judge shall receive an  
9 annual salary of not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor  
10 more than eighty percent (80%) of the annual salary established by law for  
11 circuit court judges.

12 (B) The Sevier County District Court Clerk shall have an  
13 annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000).

14 (C) The salaries, expenses, and operating costs of the  
15 Sevier County District Court shall be paid equally by the City of DeQueen and  
16 Sevier County;

17 (52)(A) The Sherwood District Court Clerk shall receive an  
18 annual salary of not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than  
19 seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000).

20 (B) The salary shall be determined by the governing body  
21 of the City of Sherwood;

22 (53)(A) *The Stone County District Court Judge shall receive an*  
23 *annual salary of not less than ~~eight thousand dollars (\$8,000)~~ fifteen*  
24 *thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~*  
25 *thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), and the district court clerk shall*  
26 *receive an annual salary of not less than ~~six thousand dollars (\$6,000)~~ ten*  
27 *thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than ~~twenty-three thousand dollars~~*  
28 *~~(\$23,000)~~ thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000).*

29 (B) The salaries shall be subject to the approval of the  
30 Mountain View City Council and the Stone County Quorum Court;

31 (54) The Van Buren County District Court – Clinton Department  
32 Clerk and any district court clerk deputy salaries shall be apportioned  
33 between the county and any city in the county by agreement between the  
34 respective governing bodies;

35 (55) The Washington County District Court – West Fork Department  
36 annual salary for each district court clerk shall be not less than twelve

1 thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) nor more than sixty thousand dollars  
2 (\$60,000); and

3 (56) The White County District Court – Beebe Department Clerk  
4 shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~twenty-five thousand two~~  
5 ~~hundred ten dollars (\$25,210)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than  
6 ~~forty thousand nine hundred ninety dollars (\$40,990)~~ seventy thousand dollars  
7 (\$70,000); ~~and~~

8 ~~(57)(A) The Wrightsville District Court Clerk shall receive an~~  
9 ~~annual salary of not less than ten thousand nine hundred twenty-six dollars~~  
10 ~~(\$10,926) nor more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).~~

11 ~~(B) The salary shall be determined by the City of~~  
12 ~~Wrightsville Board of Directors.~~

13 (b) The local salary supplement paid to a district court judge under §  
14 16-17-115(c) shall not be used when calculating the salary established in  
15 this section.

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17 /s/Dalby

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20 **APPROVED: 4/6/23**