

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR JUDGES AND CLERKS OF MUNICIPAL COURTS, LOCATED IN CITIES HAVING A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 60,000 BUT LESS THAN 70,000 PERSONS ACCORDING TO THE 1980 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS THE COST OF WHICH SHALL BE PAID FROM THE RETIREMENT FUND CREATED BY ACT 19 OF 1965, AS AMENDED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. In addition to all other retirement benefits prescribed by Act 19 of 1965, as amended, all judges and clerks of municipal courts located in cities having a population of more than 60,000 but less than 70,000 persons according to the 1980 Federal Decennial Census who are now retired or who retire hereafter shall be entitled to health insurance coverage to the extent that is or was provided by the political subdivision at the time of the retirement of the judge or clerk. The cost of the health insurance coverage shall be paid from the retirement fund created by Act 19 of 1965, as amended. The health insurance coverage shall cover not only the judge or clerk, but their spouses and dependents who were covered at the time of retirement.

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that health insurance coverage for the judges and clerks of municipal courts located in cities having a population of more than 60,000 but less than 70,000 persons according to the 1980 Federal Decennial Census should continue after their retirement; that the cost of such coverage should be paid from the retirement fund for the judges and clerks of municipal courts; that this Act so provides and should become effective immediately in order to adequately provide for such retired officials. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVED: 3/19/87

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