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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

1404

By: Representatives Fairchild, Stewart, Ramsey, Hinshaw,
and McJunkin

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT FIXING THE SALARIES OF THE SECRETARY-COURT REPORTERS-CASE COORDINATORS OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. (a) The Chancellors of the Fourth Judicial District may employ one (1) secretary-court reporter-case coordinator to perform secretarial, court reporter and case coordinator duties as may be assigned by the respective Chancellors.

(b) The Circuit Judges of the Fourth Judicial District may employ one (1) secretary-court reporter-case coordinator to perform secretarial, court reporter and case coordinator duties as may be assigned by the respective Circuit Judges.

SECTION 2. The secretaries authorized in Section 1 shall be appointed by the respective Chancellors and Circuit Judges, shall be sworn officers of the court, and shall hold office at the discretion of the same during the term of the Judge who appointed him, except that he may be dismissed for incompetency, neglect of duty or misbehavior.

SECTION 3. The secretaries so authorized shall each be paid a salary for calendar year 1989 of \$15,944.00 and an annual salary each year thereafter of \$17,060.08 payable by the counties comprising the Fourth Judicial District. The salaries shall be apportioned between the two counties on the basis of the assessed value of property in the counties which is determined to be ninety-three and one-half percent (93-1/2%) for Washington County and six and

one-half percent (6-1/2%) for Madison County, and in the following amounts:

	1989	1990
Washington County	\$14,907.64	\$15,951.18
Madison County	<u>\$1,036.36</u>	<u>\$1,108.90</u>
	\$15,944.00	\$17,060.08

The salaries shall be payable in equal bi-monthly installments by the paying offices of the respective counties.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this act and the salaries prescribed herein for secretary-court reporter-case coordinators of the Fourth Judicial District shall be retroactive to January 1, 1989.

SECTION 5. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that due to increased workload in the Fourth Judicial District and the financial pressures of inflation that the compensation now provided for the secretary-court reporter-case coordinators of the Fourth Judicial District is inadequate to compensate such secretary-court reporter-case coordinators for the additional workload and responsibilities, and that this act is immediately necessary to provide adequate compensation for such secretary-court reporter-case coordinators. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being 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.

