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4 By: Senator Edwards

A Bill

SENATE BILL 98

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 14-14-1205 TO ESTABLISH THE
PER DIEM COMPENSATION FOR JUSTICES OF THE PEACE; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

"TO ESTABLISH THE PER DIEM COMPENSATION
FOR JUSTICES OF THE PEACE."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 14-14-1205(a) is amended to read as follows:

"(a) Justices of the Peace Serving as Members of a Quorum Court.

(1) Per Diem Compensation. (A) The per diem compensation for justices of the peace attending any official, regular, special, or committee meeting of a quorum court shall be fixed by ordinance in each county.

(B) The per diem compensation of justices during any one (1) calendar year shall be not less than ninety-five dollars (\$95.00) per diem for each *regular meeting nor exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in counties having a population of less than seventy thousand (70,000), and shall not exceed six thousand two hundred dollars (\$6,200) in counties having a population of at least seventy thousand (70,000) and less than two hundred thousand (200,000), and shall not exceed seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) in counties having a population of two hundred thousand (200,000) or more.*

(2) Per Diem Compensation Defined. Per diem compensation is defined as a per calendar day allowance, exclusive of allowable expenses, which shall be paid a justice for attending meetings of the county quorum court. This compensation shall be based on attending meetings of a quorum court during any single calendar day without regard to the duration of the meetings.

1 (b) Justices of the Peace Serving in Judicial Capacity. The compensation
2 of all justices of the peace serving in a judicial capacity shall be fixed by
3 ordinance of the quorum court in each county. This basis of compensation
4 shall not be computed on a percentage of the dollar amount of fines levied by
5 a justice of the peace.

6 (c) Justice of the Peace as County Employee or Deputy. No justice of the
7 peace shall receive compensation as a county employee or deputy, nor shall
8 any justice receive compensation or expenses from funds appropriated by the
9 quorum court for any services performed within the county, other than as
10 provided by this subchapter.

11 (d) Constables. The compensation of all constables serving in any
12 official capacity established by law shall be fixed by ordinance of the
13 quorum court in each county."
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15 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent
16 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas
17 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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19 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
20 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
21 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
22 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
23 act are declared to be severable.
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25 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
26 hereby repealed.
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