

TARRANT COUNTY COURTS—JUDGES—COMPENSATION

CHAPTER 730¹¹

H. B. No. 2253

An Act relating to the compensation of certain judges in Tarrant County.

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

Section 1.

Effective January 1, 1978, the judges of the county criminal courts of Tarrant County, the probate court of Tarrant County, and the county courts at law of Tarrant County may be paid annually a sum that is at least equal to that sum which is \$8,000 less than the total annual salary as of January 1, 1978, including supplements, of any district judge in Tarrant County. Effective January 1, 1979, they may be paid annually a sum that is at least equal to that sum which is \$5,500 less than the total annual salary as of January 1, 1979, including supplements, of any district judge in Tarrant County. Effective January 1, 1980, they may be paid annually a sum that is at least equal to that sum which is \$3,000 less than the total annual salary as of January 1, 1980, including supplements, of any district judge in Tarrant County. Effective January 1, 1981, they may be paid annually a sum that is at least equal to that sum which is \$1,000 less than the total annual salary, including supplements, of any district judge in Tarrant County. If the annual salary of any district judge in Tarrant County is increased within any calendar year, the salary of the judge of each county court of Tarrant County included in this Act may be increased in an equal amount so that the variance between the salaries of the judges of the county courts and the judges of the district courts does not exceed the amounts specified in this Act.

Sec. 2. 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 by the House on May 23, 1977, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 27, 1977: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 15, 1977.

Effective Aug. 29, 1977, 90 days after date of adjournment.

11. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 1970—45a.