BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the salaries of district judges in Travis County are paid by both the state and the county. Different provisions limit those salaries to \$2000 less than that of a justice of the supreme court and \$1,000 less than an associate court of appeals justice in Travis County. As proposed, S.B. 1797 removes the cap on the amount the Travis County Commissioners Court is authorized to pay district judges having jurisdiction in Travis County.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 32.227(a), Government Code, to authorize the commissioners court of Travis County, notwithstanding Section 659.012 (Judicial Salaries), Government Code, to pay the judges of the district courts having jurisdiction in the county an annual salary in an amount set by the commissioners court for services rendered and for performing administrative duties.

SECTION 2. Repealer: Section 32.227(c) (Travis County), Government Code.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2003.