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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1522

By: Representative Dalby
By: Senator G. Stubblefield

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF VARIOUS DISTRICT
COURT PERSONNEL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF VARIOUS
DISTRICT COURT PERSONNEL.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-17-108 is amended to read as follows:

16-17-108. Salaries of personnel and other requirements of various district courts.

(a) Unless otherwise provided by law, the salaries of the judges and other personnel of the various district courts shall be established as follows:

(1)(A) The Arkansas County District Court – Northern District Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000), the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~thirteen thousand eight hundred thirty-four dollars and ninety-two cents (\$13,834.92)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~forty-four thousand dollars (\$44,000)~~ sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), and the deputy court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~eleven thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$11,475)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) nor more than ~~thirty-one thousand dollars (\$31,000)~~ forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).



(B) The salaries shall be as determined by the governing body of the City of Stuttgart and the Arkansas County Quorum Court and paid one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the city and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the county;

(2) The Arkansas County District Court – Southern District Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), and the deputy clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000). The salaries shall be determined by the governing body of the City of DeWitt and the Arkansas County Quorum Court and paid one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the city and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the county;

(3)(A) The Ashley County District Court – Crossett Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

(B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in this subdivision (a)(3), as agreed upon by the Ashley County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Crossett;

(4)(A) The Ashley County District Court – Hamburg Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

(B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in this subdivision (a)(4), as agreed upon by the Ashley County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Hamburg;

(5) The Baxter County District Court Clerk shall receive compensation in an amount as may be provided by the City of Mountain Home and the Baxter County Quorum Court. The salary shall be paid one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the City of Mountain Home and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by Baxter County;

(6)(A) The Calhoun County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000).

(B) The salary shall be determined by the Hampton City Council and the Calhoun County Quorum Court and shall be paid by the City of Hampton and Calhoun County in equal monthly installments;

(7)(A)(i) The Chicot County District Court – Dermott Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand

dollars (\$14,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

(ii) However, the district court clerk's position may be a full-time or part-time position.

(B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in subdivision (a)(7)(A)(i) of this section as agreed upon by the Chicot County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Dermott.

(C) The salary of the district court clerk shall be paid as follows:

(i) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City of Dermott; and

(ii) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by Chicot County;

(8)(A) The Chicot County District Court – Eudora Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

(B) The salary shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in subdivision (a)(8)(A) of this section as agreed upon by the Chicot County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Eudora.

(C) The salary of the district court clerk shall be paid as follows:

(i) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City of Eudora; and

(ii) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by Chicot County;

(9)(A)(i) The Chicot County District Court – Lake Village Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

(ii) If authorized by the governing body of the City of Lake Village and the Chicot County Quorum Court, the district court judge shall be authorized to employ a full-time or part-time deputy district court clerk at an annual salary of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) nor more than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000).

(iii) The salaries shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in this subdivision (a)(9)(A), as agreed upon by the Chicot County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Lake Village.

(B) The salary of the district court clerk shall be paid as follows:

(i) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by the City of Lake Village; and

(ii) Fifty percent (50%) to be paid by Chicot County;

(10) The Clark County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000)~~ forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) nor more than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000), to be established annually by the Clark County Quorum Court. Upon approval by the Clark County Quorum Court, the Clark County District Court Judge may appoint one (1) deputy district court clerk to receive a salary as established by the Clark County Quorum Court;

~~(11)(A) The clerks of the district courts in Clay County shall receive an annual salary of not less than four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500) nor more than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000), to be paid, as well as other current benefits, in equal monthly installments by Clay County.~~

~~(B) Fifty percent (50%) of the amount in each respective department shall be reimbursed by the City of Corning, the City of Piggott, and the City of Rector at eighteen and five tenths percent (18.5%), eighteen and five tenths percent (18.5%), and thirteen percent (13%), respectively, to the county treasury~~ The salaries and operations of the Clay County District Courts shall be funded through a written interlocal agreement between Clay County, Greene County, and the respective cities operating a department within Clay County and Greene County;

(12)(A) The Cleveland County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000).

(B) The salary shall be determined by the Rison City Council and the Cleveland County Quorum Court;

(13) Necessary expenses appropriated for the Craighead County District Court shall be apportioned among and paid to the county from the respective cities of the first class and cities of the second class, incorporated towns, and the government of Craighead County as a prorated amount based on the number of cases filed from each of the towns and cities and the county during the preceding calendar year;

(14) The Cross County District Court employees' salaries shall be as determined by the governing body of the City of Wynne, the City of Cherry Valley, and the City of Parkin, for the cities' respective departments;

(15)(A) The Dallas County District Court Clerks shall receive an annual salary of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000).

(B) The salaries shall be determined by the Fordyce City Council and the Dallas County Quorum Court, and the salaries shall be paid by the City of Fordyce and Dallas County in equal monthly installments;

(16)(A) The Desha County District Court – Dumas Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), and the deputy district clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$14,500) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

(B) The salary shall be paid one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the Desha County Quorum Court and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the City of Dumas and shall be determined by the Desha County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Dumas;

(17) The Desha County District Court – McGehee Department Clerk shall be employed and paid by the City of McGehee at such a salary as the governing body of the City of McGehee shall determine;

(18) The Washington County District Court – Elkins Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)~~ forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000);

(19)(A)(i) The Fulton County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) nor more than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).

(ii) The annual salary of the Fulton County District Court Clerk shall be not less than seventeen thousand seven hundred forty-eight dollars (\$17,748) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

(B)(i) The expense of salaries, along with all other necessary and customary expenses of the court, shall be shared by Fulton County, the City of Salem, and the City of Mammoth Spring, based on a percentage of the actual number of cases handled through the court for each governmental entity.

(ii) The percentage shall be determined annually by dividing the total number of cases handled by the district court into the number of cases handled annually for each of the aforementioned governmental

entities.

(iii) On January 1 of each year, each share shall be estimated based on the number of cases handled by the district court for each of the respective governmental entities for the preceding year.

(iv) However, on December 31 of each year, each share shall be adjusted to reflect the actual percentage for each governmental entity for that year based on the actual case load.

(C) The salaries and expenses shall be paid in equal monthly installments by Fulton County, and the City of Salem and the City of Mammoth Spring shall reimburse the county on a monthly basis for their respective shares of salaries and expenses;

(20)(A) The Garland County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) nor more than sixty-eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$68,400).

(B) The salary shall be determined by the governing body of the City of Hot Springs and the Garland County Quorum Court;

(21)(A) The Grant County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of ~~not less than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) nor more than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000)~~, as ~~approved~~ determined by the Grant County Quorum Court.

(B) The district court clerk's salary shall be paid as follows:

(i) Twenty-seven percent (27%) to be paid by the City of Sheridan; and

(ii) Seventy-three percent (73%) to be paid by Grant County;

~~(22)(A) The Greene County District Court Paragould District Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than nineteen thousand eight hundred fifty-six dollars (\$19,856) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), the chief deputy district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand six hundred twenty-four dollars (\$16,624) nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), and the deputy district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirteen thousand three hundred fourteen dollars (\$13,314) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).~~

~~(B) The salaries shall be determined by the Greene County~~

~~Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Paragould and shall be paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments~~ The salaries and operations of the Greene County District Courts shall be funded through a written interlocal agreement between Greene County, Clay County, and the respective cities operating a department within Greene County and Clay County;

(23)(A) The Hempstead County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000) nor more than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000).

(B) The amount of the salary shall be determined by agreement between the governing body of the City of Hope and the Hempstead County Quorum Court;

(24) The Hot Spring County – Malvern Department District Court Judge shall be entitled to an additional deputy district court clerk whose salary shall be determined by the governing body of the City of Malvern and the Hot Spring County Quorum Court, and the salary shall be paid by the city and county in the same proportion as the city and county shared in the revenues generated by the court in the previous year;

(25)(A)(i) The Howard County District Court Judge shall have an annual salary of not less than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000).

(ii) The Howard County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), unless provided for otherwise by ordinance of the Howard County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Nashville.

(B) The salaries are to be paid one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the City of Nashville and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by Howard County;

(26)(A) The IZARD County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200) nor more than ~~forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000)~~ forty-five thousand (\$45,000), and the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$7,400) nor more than ~~thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000)~~ thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000).

(B) However, the salaries shall be subject to the approval of the Melbourne City Council and the IZARD County Quorum Court;

(27) The Jacksonville District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-three thousand nine hundred thirty-

seven dollars (\$33,937) nor more than thirty-six thousand nine hundred dollars (\$36,900);

(28)(A) The Newton County District Court – Jasper Department District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-eight thousand six hundred dollars (\$28,600) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

(B) All salaries and all other expenses of the office shall be paid one hundred percent (100%) by the county;

(29) The Jefferson County District Court clerks for Division 1 and Division 2 shall receive annual salaries of not less than thirty-one thousand dollars (\$31,000) ~~nor more than fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000)~~, as may be approved by the Jefferson County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Pine Bluff;

(30) The expenses related to the operation of the Johnson County District Court ~~are to be divided among the county and all cities within the county based on the percentage of the total fine money collected during the year by each participating entity~~ shall be apportioned between Johnson County and any city in Johnson County operating a department by agreement between the governing bodies of the county and the respective cities;

(31)(A) The Lafayette County – Lewisville Department District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), and the City of Lewisville shall pay to the district court clerk at least eight thousand eight hundred dollars (\$8,800) but not more than fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) of the salary, and Lafayette County shall pay to the district court clerk not less than thirteen thousand two hundred dollars (\$13,200) but not more than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) of the salary.

(B) The amount and manner of payment of the salary of the district court clerk may be established within the ranges specified in subdivision (a)(31)(A) of this section by mutual agreement of the Lafayette County Quorum Court and the Lewisville City Council, as well as the amount and manner of payment of all other expenses of operation of the Lafayette County – Lewisville Department District Court;

(32)(A) The Little River County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)

nor more than ~~seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000)~~ eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000), as determined by the governing body of the City of Ashdown and the Little River County Quorum Court.

(B) The salary shall be paid sixty-two percent (62%) by Little River County and thirty-eight percent (38%) by the City of Ashdown, unless otherwise agreed by the Little River County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Ashdown;

(33)(A) Necessary expenses appropriated by the City of Lonoke for the Lonoke County District Court shall be apportioned among and paid to the City of Lonoke by the cities of the first class, cities of the second class, incorporated towns, and the county as a prorated amount based on the number of cases filed from each of the cities of the first class, cities of the second class, incorporated towns, and the county during the preceding year.

(B) An itemized bill shall be prepared by the City of Lonoke fixing the apportioned expenses, and payment shall be made no later than sixty (60) days following the submission by the City of Lonoke of the bills;

(34)(A) The Maumelle District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

(B) The salary of the district court clerk shall be as determined by the City of Maumelle Board of Directors;

(35)(A) The Miller County District Court shall have two (2) departments, the City of Texarkana Department and the Miller County Department.

(B) The Miller County District Court – City of Texarkana Department shall hear all civil and criminal cases arising out of violations of city ordinances and those cases arising out of violations of state laws committed within the corporate limits of the City of Texarkana and all other cases in controversy arising within the corporate limits of the city within the jurisdiction of a district court as established by law. The Miller County District Court – City of Texarkana Department shall have a chief district court clerk whose salary shall be paid by the City of Texarkana in an amount to be determined by its governing body.

(C) The Miller County District Court – Miller County

Department shall hear all civil and criminal cases arising out of violations of any of the laws of the state committed outside the corporate limits of the City of Texarkana and all other cases in controversy arising outside the corporate limits of the city within the jurisdiction of a district court as established by law. The Miller County District Court – Miller County Department shall have a chief district court clerk whose salary shall be paid by Miller County in an amount to be determined by its quorum court;

(36) The Monroe County District Court – Brinkley Department Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200) nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), and the Monroe County District Court – Brinkley Department Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand four hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$10,488) and not more than thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500);

(37) The Monroe County District Court – Clarendon Department Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800) and the Monroe County District Court – Clarendon Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than eight thousand nine hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$8,988);

(38)(A) The Montgomery County District Court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) nor more than twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000), and the district court secretary shall receive an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000).

(B) Montgomery County shall pay eighty percent (80%) of the salaries, and the City of Mt. Ida shall pay twenty percent (20%) of the salaries;

(39)(A) The Nevada County District Court Clerk salary shall be not less than twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$29,000) nor more than thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$37,000).

(B) The salary for the district court clerk shall be established within these ranges by the Nevada County Quorum Court and the Prescott City Council, and the salary shall be paid sixty percent (60%) by Nevada County and forty percent (40%) by the City of Prescott. The salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments;

(40)(A) The North Little Rock District Court Judges, Divisions 1

and 2, are each authorized to employ a chief district court clerk, whose salary shall be at least thirty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$32,500), a deputy district court clerk, whose salary shall be at least thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000), and two (2) district court clerks, whose salaries shall each be at least twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

(B) The North Little Rock District Court Judges, Divisions 1 and 2, subject to the approval of the governing body of North Little Rock, may each employ an additional district court clerk whose salary shall be at least twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000);

(41) *The Pike County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than six thousand dollars (\$6,000) nor more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than three thousand dollars (\$3,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) in an amount set by the Pike County Quorum Court. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the salaries shall be paid by Pike County, and twenty-five percent (25%) shall be paid by the City of Murfreesboro;*

(42)(A) The salary of the Poinsett County District Court Clerk of each department will be as determined by the Poinsett County Quorum Court and the governing body of each municipality where the department is located.

(B) The salary of each district court clerk shall be payable one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by Poinsett County and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) by the municipality.

(C) Each municipality shall receive from the county each month the county's share of the district court clerk's salaries;

(43) The Pope County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000)~~ thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), the chief deputy district court clerk of the court shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~eighteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$18,500)~~ twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500) nor more than ~~forty-one thousand dollars (\$41,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), and the deputy district court clerk of the court shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500)~~ twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$22,500) nor more than ~~thirty-four thousand dollars (\$34,000)~~ forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000);

(44) The Washington County District Court – Prairie Grove Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) nor more than fifty-one thousand dollars (\$51,000);

(45) The Pulaski County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fifty-two thousand eight hundred sixty-eight dollars (\$52,868) nor more than seventy-eight thousand nine hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$78,938), and the district court bailiff shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000) nor more than ~~fifty-five thousand three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$55,355)~~ fifty-eight thousand five hundred forty-seven dollars (\$58,547);

(46)(A) The Saline County District Court – Benton Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~fifty-six thousand dollars (\$56,000)~~ seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000).

(B) The salary shall be as determined by the governing body of the City of Benton and the Saline County Quorum Court;

(47)(A) The Scott County District Court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) nor more than thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000).

(B) The salary shall be subject to the approval of the Waldron City Council and the Scott County Quorum Court and shall be paid in equal monthly installments, one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) to be paid by the City of Waldron and one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) to be paid by Scott County;

(48)(A) The Searcy County District Court – Marshall Department ~~clerks~~ clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-four thousand seven hundred twenty dollars (\$24,720) nor more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), as determined by the Searcy County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Marshall by ordinances or resolutions adopted by the respective bodies.

(B) ~~The salaries~~ salary of the district court ~~clerks~~ clerk shall be paid fifty percent (50%) by Searcy County and fifty percent (50%) by the City of Marshall.

(C) ~~The salaries~~ salary shall be paid in equal monthly installments;

(49)(A) The Sebastian County District Court – Fort Smith

District Judges, Departments 1, 2, and 3, shall jointly appoint a qualified elector of the state to serve as district court clerk.

(B)(i) The district court clerk shall have at least five (5) years' previous experience as a court clerk or deputy court clerk or equivalent education, training, and experience as determined by the Director of Human Resources for the City of Fort Smith.

(ii) Appointment and removal of the district court clerk shall be in conformance with the City of Fort Smith's current personnel policies in place at the time of appointment and removal of the district court clerk.

(C) The salaries of the district court clerk, deputy district court clerks, court personnel, and any special district court judges authorized by this subdivision (a)(49) and the operating expenses of the Sebastian County District Court – Fort Smith District shall be paid seventy percent (70%) by the City of Fort Smith and thirty percent (30%) by Sebastian County;

(50)(A) The Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District salaries of the district court clerk and the district court clerk's deputies shall be set by the Sebastian County Quorum Court.

(B) The salaries shall be paid ninety percent (90%) by Sebastian County and ten percent (10%) by the City of Greenwood.

(C) In order to defray the expenses of operating the Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District, ninety percent (90%) of the Sebastian County net fines, ten percent (10%) of the City of Greenwood net fines, and fifteen percent (15%) of all other cities' net fines processed by the Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District may or shall be deposited into a bank account entitled the "Greenwood District Court Operating Fund" to be administered by the Sebastian County District Court – Greenwood District Judge under a budget approved as follows:

(i) The district court judge shall submit a proposed annual budget to a committee composed of the members of the quorum court that represent the Greenwood District of Sebastian County;

(ii) The committee shall approve the district court judge's budget or formulate a reasonable budget that shall be approved by the Sebastian County Quorum Court, unless found by a majority of the quorum court to be clearly excessive; and

(iii) If funds provided from the fines as set out in this subdivision (a)(50) become insufficient or excessive, the committee shall adjust the percentage of fines on a pro rata basis to increase or decrease the funds necessary to operate the district court pursuant to the budget established in this subdivision (a)(50).

(D) The Sebastian County District Court Judge – Greenwood District shall be bonded in accordance with §§ 19-1-401 – 19-1-403;

(51)(A) The Sevier County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than eighty percent (80%) of the annual salary established by law for circuit court judges.

(B) The Sevier County District Court Clerk shall have an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000).

(C) The salaries, expenses, and operating costs of the Sevier County District Court shall be paid equally by the City of DeQueen and Sevier County;

(52)(A) The Sherwood District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000).

(B) The salary shall be determined by the governing body of the City of Sherwood;

(53)(A) *The Stone County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~eight thousand dollars (\$8,000)~~ fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), and the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~six thousand dollars (\$6,000)~~ ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than ~~twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000)~~ thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000).*

(B) The salaries shall be subject to the approval of the Mountain View City Council and the Stone County Quorum Court;

(54) The Van Buren County District Court – Clinton Department Clerk and any district court clerk deputy salaries shall be apportioned between the county and any city in the county by agreement between the respective governing bodies;

(55) The Washington County District Court – West Fork Department annual salary for each district court clerk shall be not less than twelve

thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) nor more than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000); and

(56) The White County District Court – Beebe Department Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~twenty-five thousand two hundred ten dollars (\$25,210)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than ~~forty thousand nine hundred ninety dollars (\$40,990)~~ seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000); ~~and~~

~~(57)(A) The Wrightsville District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand nine hundred twenty-six dollars (\$10,926) nor more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).~~

~~(B) The salary shall be determined by the City of Wrightsville Board of Directors.~~

(b) The local salary supplement paid to a district court judge under § 16-17-115(c) shall not be used when calculating the salary established in this section.

/s/Dalby