

No. 1979-75

AN ACT

HB 211

Amending the act of June 1, 1956 (1955 P.L.1959, No.657), entitled, as amended, "An act fixing the salaries and compensation of the Chief Justice and judges of the Supreme Court, the President Judge and judges of the Superior Court, the judges of the courts of common pleas, the judges of the orphans' courts, the judges of the County Court of Philadelphia and the judges of the County Court and Juvenile Court of Allegheny County, certain associate judges not learned in the law, certain state officers and the salary and expenses of the members of the General Assembly, and repealing certain inconsistent acts," further providing for the basic annual salaries of justices, judges, certain State officers, members and certain officers of the General Assembly and repealing the provisions relating to the Commonwealth Compensation Commission.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 2, 3, 3.1, 4, 4.1 and 4.2, act of June 1, 1956 (1955 P.L.1959, No.657), referred to as the Public Official Compensation Law, amended or added June 29, 1976 (P.L.452, No.111), are amended to read:

Section 2. The annual salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall be [~~\$57,500~~] ~~\$67,000~~, and the annual salary of each of the associate judges of the Supreme Court shall be [~~\$55,000~~] ~~\$64,500~~.

Section 3. The annual salary of the President Judge of the Superior Court shall be [~~\$54,500~~] ~~\$64,000~~ and the annual salary of each of the associate judges of the Superior Court shall be [~~\$53,000~~] ~~\$62,500~~.

Section 3.1. The annual salary of the President Judge of the Commonwealth Court shall be [~~\$54,500~~] ~~\$64,000~~. The annual salary of each of the associate judges of the Commonwealth Court shall be [~~\$53,000~~] ~~\$62,500~~.

Section 4. (a) The annual salary of a president judge of a court of common pleas shall be fixed in accordance with the following schedule:

- (1) Allegheny County . . . . . [~~\$47,000~~] ~~\$57,000~~
- (2) Philadelphia . . . . . [~~47,500~~] ~~57,500~~
- (3) Dauphin County . . . . . [~~46,000~~] ~~56,000~~
- (4) Judicial Districts having six more judges and a population in excess of one hundred fifty thousand . . . . . [~~46,000~~] ~~56,000~~
- (5) Judicial Districts having three to five judges . . . . . [~~45,500~~] ~~55,500~~
- (6) Judicial Districts having one or two judges . . . . . [~~45,000~~] ~~55,000~~
- (7) Administrative Judges of the Divisions of Common Pleas Court:
  - (i) Philadelphia, divisions of six or more judges . . . . . [~~46,000~~] ~~56,000~~

- (ii) Philadelphia, divisions of five or less judges . . . . . [45,500] 55,500
- (8) President Judges of Divisions of Common Pleas Court of Allegheny County:
  - (i) Divisions of six or more judges. . . [46,000] 56,000
  - (ii) Divisions of five or less judges. . [45,500] 55,500
- (b) The associate judges of the courts of common pleas shall be paid an annual salary of [**\$45,000**] *\$55,000*.

Section 4.1. The President Judge of the Philadelphia Municipal Court shall receive an annual salary of [**forty-one thousand five hundred dollars (\$41,500)**] *fifty thousand five hundred dollars (\$50,500)*. The annual salary of associate judges of the Philadelphia Municipal Court shall be [**forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)**] *forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000)* for members of the bar and twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) for judges who are not members of the bar.

Section 4.2. The annual salary of the President Judge of the Philadelphia Traffic Court shall be [**twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000)**] *twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000)*. The annual salary of associate judges of the Philadelphia Traffic Court shall be [**twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000)**] *twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)*.

Section 2. As much as applies to the Auditor General and the State Treasurer in section 13 of the act, amended July 16, 1968 (P.L.355, No.176) and July 18, 1968 (P.L.421, No.194) and by the reports of the Compensation Commission of 1972 and 1976, is amended to read:

Section 13. \* \* \*

Auditor General, [**forty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$42,500)**] *forty-eight thousand dollars (\$48,000)*.

State Treasurer, [**forty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$42,500)**] *forty-eight thousand dollars (\$48,000)*.

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Section 3. Section 14 of the act, amended June 16, 1971 (P.L.157, No.8) and by the reports of the Compensation Commission of 1972 and 1976, is amended to read:

Section 14. The salary of the members of the General Assembly shall be [**eighteen thousand seven hundred twenty dollars (\$18,720)**] *twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)* per annum and mileage to and from their homes at the rate of [**fifteen cents (15¢)**] *seventeen cents (17¢)* per mile circular; for each week a member was in actual attendance at the session, between their homes and the State capitol, and no other compensation shall be allowed whatsoever, except each member of the General Assembly shall receive an allowance for clerical assistance and other expenses incurred during his term in connection with the duties of his office, in the sum of [**eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400)**] *seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500)*, annually; the salary [**and expenses**] to be payable in equal monthly installments on the first of the month with the exception that the

installment due December first of each even year shall be added to and payable with the installment due January first of the following year *except that the salaries of the Senators elected at the general election of 1978 shall, during the remainder of their terms, be eighteen thousand seven hundred twenty dollars (\$18,720) per annum and such members of the Senate shall receive in addition to the allowance for clerical assistance and other expenses the expense allowance of six thousand two hundred eighty dollars (\$6,280) per annum.*

Section 4. Section 14.2 of the act is repealed.

Section 5. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

*Section 14.3. (a) The following officers of the Senate, in addition to their salaries as members of the General Assembly shall receive the following amounts as additional compensation: President pro tempore, fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000); Majority Leader, eleven thousand two hundred dollars (\$11,200); Majority Whip, five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300); Majority Caucus Chairman, four thousand six hundred dollars (\$4,600); Majority Caucus Secretary, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Minority Leader, eleven thousand two hundred dollars (\$11,200); Minority Whip, five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300); Minority Caucus Chairman, four thousand six hundred dollars (\$4,600); Minority Caucus Secretary, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Minority Policy Chairman, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700).*

*(b) The following officers of the Senate who shall be appointed by the President pro tempore, shall, in addition to their salaries as members of the General Assembly, receive the following amounts as additional compensation:*

*(1) Majority Policy Chairman at an annual salary of two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); and*

*(2) Majority Caucus Administrator at an annual salary of two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700).*

*(c) The following officer of the Senate who shall be appointed by the Minority Leader, shall, in addition to his salary as a member of the General Assembly, receive the following amount as additional compensation:*

*(1) Minority Caucus Administrator at an annual salary of two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700).*

*(d) The following officers of the House of Representatives, in addition to their salaries as members of the General Assembly shall receive the following amounts as additional compensation: Speaker of the House, fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000); Majority Leader, eleven thousand two hundred dollars (\$11,200); Majority Whip, five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300); Majority Caucus Chairman, four thousand six hundred dollars (\$4,600); Majority Caucus Secretary, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Majority Policy Chairman, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Majority Caucus Administrator, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Minority Leader, fourteen thousand*

*dollars (\$14,000); Minority Whip, five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300); Minority Caucus Chairman, four thousand six hundred dollars (\$4,600); Minority Caucus Secretary, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Minority Policy Chairman, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700); Minority Caucus Administrator, two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2,700).*

Section 6. Sections 16, 16.1, 16.2 and 34, act of January 10, 1968 (1967 P.L.925, No.417), referred to as the Legislative Officers and Employees Law, are repealed.

Section 7. The reports of the Commonwealth Compensation Commission for 1972 and 1976 are repealed insofar as they are inconsistent herewith.

Section 8. Sections 1, 3, 5 and 6 shall take effect December 1, 1980; section 2 shall take effect the third Tuesday of January, 1981 and the remainder of this act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 25th day of October, A. D. 1979.

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