

House Bill 557 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Stovall of the 74th, Scott of the 76th, Waites of the 60th, Douglas of the 78th, and Burnough of the 77th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act placing the judge of the Probate Court of Clayton County on an annual
2 salary, approved February 7, 1950 (Ga. L. 1950, p. 2068), as amended, particularly by an Act
3 approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4662), so as to change the compensation of the judge
4 of the probate court; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
5 purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act placing the judge of the Probate Court of Clayton County on an annual salary,
9 approved February 7, 1950 (Ga. L. 1950, p. 2068), as amended, particularly by an Act
10 approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4662), is amended by revising Section 1 as follows:

11 "SECTION 1.

12 The salary provided in this section for the judge of the probate court shall be his or her full
13 and complete compensation, and all fees or other emoluments now allowed, or hereafter
14 allowed by any authority of law, for which said judge is entitled heretofore and which he
15 or she earns or receives by reason of being the probate court judge, whether under color of
16 the office of probate judge or not, shall henceforth be county funds and accountable as such
17 in the same manner as other county funds received by said judge of the probate court. The
18 judge of the probate court shall receive an annual salary equal to 90 percent of the
19 then-current total compensation, including the base salary and any supplements, of the
20 judge of the superior court of the Clayton Judicial Circuit. This salary shall be deemed per
21 annum and payable in equal monthly installments out of the general funds of the county.
22 In the event that the base salary for the probate judge is established by general law, and
23 such salary exceeds the total compensation for the probate judge provided herein, the
24 general law shall control. Any supplemental compensation, as heretofore provided, shall
25 thereafter be adjusted or eliminated, as the case may be, to meet the level of compensation

26 as established herein or the base salary plus longevity increases as set out by the general
27 or local Georgia law, whichever amount is greater."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2017.

30 **SECTION 3.**

31 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.