GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 439 2024 Regular Session Bacala

CLERKS OF COURT: Provides relative to salary increases for clerks of court.

DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the clerks of district courts to establish their own rates of annual compensation, payable out of the clerk's salary fund, provided that the rates shall not exceed the following amounts based on applicable population of the respective parish:

(1)	Population Less than 50,000	Compensation \$88,000
(2)	50,000-200,000	\$98,000
(3)	Over 200,000	\$108,000

Further authorized increases for each population class by four percent each year through Fiscal Year 2016-2017 (Act No. 380 of 2013 Regular Session).

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> additionally increases the annual compensation for each population class by five percent each year through Fiscal Year 2027-2028.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the additional compensation becoming effective if the clerk of a district court publishes notice of intent to increase his compensation on two separate days in the official journal of the parish in which the clerk's office is located. <u>Proposed law</u> requires the last day of such publication to be at least thirty days prior to the date that the clerk of the district court increases his compensation.

Effective July 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 13:782(A)(1)(e))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

<u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the engrossed bill</u>

1. Require the clerk of a district court to publish a notice of intent to increase his compensation on two separate days in the official journal of the parish in which the clerk's office is located at least thirty days before the clerk of the district court increases his compensation.