

HOUSE BILL 2499

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 8-7-105 and 8-23-103, relative to statutory revisions required for implementation of the annual appropriations act.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-7-105(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(a) On September 1, 2014, the salary for district attorneys general shall be one hundred forty-eight thousand five hundred five dollars (\$148,505) per annum.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-7-105(b), is amended by deleting the language "September 1, 2006" and substituting instead "July 1, 2015".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-103, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(a) Chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges shall receive an annual base salary of one hundred seventy thousand two hundred four dollars (\$170,204), effective September 1, 2014.

(1) Commencing July 1, 2015, and on each July 1 thereafter, the annual base salary of chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges shall increase, but not decrease, by an amount determined by the percentage change in the consumer price index and calculated in accordance with subdivision (ii).

(2) On July 1, 2015, the base salaries fixed in this subsection (a) shall be adjusted in accordance with the formula contained in § 8-23-101 (d)(3) reflecting the percentage of change between calendar year 2013 and calendar year 2014. Each succeeding July 1, a similar adjustment shall be made based upon the

percentage of change in the average consumer price index between the two (2) calendar years preceding July 1 of the year in which the adjustment is made. However, no reduction shall be made by way of adjustment on account of any decrease in the average consumer price index between two (2) successive calendar years. No adjustment provided for herein shall exceed five percent (5%) per annum.

(b) Commencing July 1, 2016, the annual base salary of chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges determined in accordance with subsection (a) shall increase by an additional amount equal to five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

(c) Commencing July 1, 2018, the annual base salary of chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges determined in accordance with subsection (a) shall increase by an additional amount equal to five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

(d) Commencing July 1, 2020, the annual base salary of chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges determined in accordance with subsection (a) shall increase by an additional amount equal to five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

(e) In each instance of an increase in the annual base salary of chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges and on the effective date of that increase, the following shall occur:

(1) Each judge of the court of appeals and the court of criminal appeals shall receive an annual adjusted base salary that is five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in excess of that received by the trial judges;

(2) The presiding judge of the court of appeals and the presiding judge of the court of criminal appeals shall each receive an annual adjusted base salary that is two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) in excess of that received by each judge of the court of appeals and the court of criminal appeals;

(3) Each justice of the supreme court shall receive an annual adjusted base salary that is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in excess of that received by trial judges; and

(4) The chief justice of the supreme court shall receive an annual adjusted base salary that is five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in excess of that received by the other justices of the supreme court.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect September 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.