

LEGISLATIVE BILL 141

Approved by the Governor May 20, 1975

Introduced by Luedtke, 28

AN ACT to amend section 24-513, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1974, relating to judges; to provide for an increase in county judges' salaries as prescribed; to provide for a supplemental salary in certain counties; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 24-513, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1974, be amended to read as follows:

24-513. Each As soon as the same may be legally paid under the Constitution of Nebraska, each county judge shall receive an annual salary of twenty-four thousand dollars per year, except that each county judge in a county judge district having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more according to the latest federal census shall receive an annual salary of twenty-seven twenty-nine thousand five hundred dollars per year. Each county in its respective district having a population of one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants or more, according to the most recent federal decennial census, may pay to each county judge serving within the judicial district a supplemental salary of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum. The county board shall decide by a majority vote of all members elected whether the county judges serving within the county shall receive such supplemental salary. If the county board votes in favor of such supplemental salary, it shall be payable as other salaries in such county out of the county treasury in addition to the salary paid to the county judges out of the state treasury, and such salaries shall be payable in equal monthly installments. Judges of the county court shall be considered to be of the same class and when one member of the class, as a judge of the county court, is entitled to a raise in salary, all members of the class shall be entitled to such raise in salary. All county judges shall be compensated for necessary travel expenses in the same manner as judges of the district court. Salaries of associate county judges, clerks, and other employees of the court shall be set by the county judges, subject to the conditions of this section. When the county clerk serves as clerk of the county court, he shall receive one thousand dollars annually for such duties, in addition to the salary established pursuant to law for the county

clerk. When the county clerk also serves as an associate county judge, he shall receive a minimum additional salary of one thousand dollars annually for such duties. The minimum salary for an associate county judge shall be twenty-four hundred dollars annually, but this minimum shall not apply to associate county judges appointed to serve on a pro tempore basis. The maximum salary for an associate county judge shall be three-fourths of the salary of a county judge, and this limitation shall apply when the same person is both associate county judge and clerk of the county court. In setting salaries for associate county judges, the county judges shall consider the caseload for the associate county judge and the amount of time he will actually be engaged in his duties. Salaries of associate county judges must be approved by the Supreme Court.

Sec. 2. That original section 24-513, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1974, is repealed.