GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

H HOUSE BILL 1404

Short Title: Senior Resident/Chief Judge Salaries. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Glazier, Love (Primary Sponsors); Faison, Harrison,

Moore, and Walker.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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April 12, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE SALARY OF SENIOR RESIDENT SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES SHALL BE AT LEAST FIFTEEN PERCENT GREATER THAN THAT OF OTHER SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES AND THAT THE SALARY OF CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGES SHALL BE AT LEAST FIFTEEN PERCENT GREATER THAN THAT OF OTHER DISTRICT COURT JUDGES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-44(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) A judge of the superior court, regular or special, shall receive the annual salary set forth in the Current Operations Appropriations Act, and in addition shall be paid the same travel allowance as State employees generally by G.S. 138-6(a)(1) and (2), provided that no travel allowance be paid for travel within his county of residence. The salary for senior resident superior court judges shall be at least fifteen percent (15%) greater than the salary for other superior court judges. In addition, a judge of the superior court shall be allowed seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) per year, payable monthly, in lieu of necessary subsistence expenses while attending court or transacting official business at a place other than in the county of his residence and in lieu of other professional expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties. The Administrative Officer of the Courts may also reimburse superior court judges, in addition to the above funds for travel and subsistence, for travel and subsistence expenses incurred for professional education."

SECTION 2. G.S. 7A-144(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Each judge shall receive the annual salary provided in the Current Operations Appropriations Act, and reimbursement on the same basis as State employees generally, for his necessary travel and subsistence expenses. The salary for chief district court judges shall be at least fifteen percent (15%) greater than the salary for other district court judges."

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SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.