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AN ACT

- Amending the act of September 30, 1983 (P.L.160, No.39), entitled "An act establishing salaries and compensation of 2 certain public officials including justices and judges of 3 Statewide courts, judges of courts of common pleas, judges of 4 the Philadelphia Municipal Court, judges of the Philadelphia 5 Traffic Court, district justices and the Governor, the 6 Lieutenant Governor, the State Treasurer, the Auditor 7 General, the Attorney General and certain other State 8 officers and the salary and certain expenses of the members 9 of the General Assembly; and repealing certain inconsistent 10 acts," further providing for judicial salaries, for executive 11 salaries and for legislative salaries. 12 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 14 15 Section 1. Section 2.1 of the act of September 30, 1983 16 (P.L.160, No.39), known as the Public Official Compensation Law, 17 reenacted and amended November 16, 2005 (P.L.385, No.72), is 18 amended to read: 19 Section 2.1. Judicial salaries.
- 20 Supreme Court .-- The annual salary of the Chief Justice (a)
- of the Supreme Court shall be \$123,000, and the annual salary of
- 22 each of the other justices of the Supreme Court shall be
- 23 \$119,750.

- 1 (b) Superior Court. -- The annual salary of the President
- 2 Judge of the Superior Court shall be \$117,750, and the annual
- 3 salary of the other judges of the Superior Court shall be
- 4 \$116,000.
- 5 (c) Commonwealth Court. -- The annual salary of the President
- 6 Judge of the Commonwealth Court shall be \$117,750. The annual
- 7 salary of each of the other judges of the Commonwealth Court
- 8 shall be \$116,000.
- 9 (d) Courts of common pleas.--
- 10 (1) The annual salary of a president judge of a court of
- 11 common pleas shall be fixed in accordance with the following
- 12 schedule:
- 13 (i) Allegheny County, \$106,000.
- 14 (ii) Philadelphia County, \$106,500.
- 15 (iii) Judicial districts having six or more judges,
- \$105,000.
- 17 (iv) Judicial districts having three to five judges,
- 18 \$104,500.
- 19 (v) Judicial districts having one or two judges,
- \$104,000.
- 21 (vi) Administrative judges of the divisions of the
- 22 Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County with
- divisions of six or more judges, \$105,000.
- 24 (vii) Administrative judges of the divisions of the
- 25 Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County with
- divisions of five or less judges, \$104,500.
- 27 (viii) Administrative judges of the divisions of the
- Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County with divisions
- of six or more judges, \$105,000.
- 30 (ix) Administrative judges of the divisions of the

- 1 Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County with divisions
- of five or less judges, \$104,500.
- 3 (2) The other judges of the courts of common pleas shall
- 4 be paid an annual salary of \$104,000.
- 5 (e) Philadelphia Municipal Court. -- The President Judge of
- 6 the Philadelphia Municipal Court shall receive an annual salary
- 7 of \$103,000. The annual salary for the other judges of the
- 8 Philadelphia Municipal Court shall be \$101,250.
- 9 (f) Philadelphia Traffic Court. -- The President Judge of the
- 10 Philadelphia Traffic Court shall receive an annual salary of
- 11 \$55,000. The annual salary for the other judges of the
- 12 Philadelphia Traffic Court shall be \$54,500.
- 13 (g) Magisterial district judges.--A magisterial district
- 14 judge shall receive an annual salary payable by the Commonwealth
- 15 of \$51,500.
- 16 (h) Senior judges. -- The compensation of the senior judges
- 17 pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 4121 (relating to assignment of judges)
- 18 shall be \$315 per day. In any calendar year the amount of
- 19 compensation which a senior judge shall be permitted to earn as
- 20 a senior judge shall not when added to retirement income paid by
- 21 the Commonwealth for such senior judge exceed the compensation
- 22 payable by the Commonwealth to a judge then in regular active
- 23 service on the court from which said senior judge retired. A
- 24 senior judge who so elects may serve without being paid all or
- 25 any portion of the compensation provided by this section.
- 26 [(i) Annual cost-of-living adjustment.--Beginning January 1,
- 27 1997, and each January 1 thereafter, the annual salaries under
- 28 subsections (a) through (h) shall be increased by the percentage
- 29 change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-
- 30 U) for the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland area

- 1 for the most recent 12-month period for which figures have been
- 2 officially reported by the United States Department of Labor,
- 3 Bureau of Labor Statistics immediately prior to the date the
- 4 adjustment is due to take effect. The percentage increase and
- 5 salary amounts shall be determined prior to the annual effective
- 6 date of the adjustment by the Supreme Court and shall be
- 7 published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin by the Court
- 8 Administrator of Pennsylvania within 20 days of the date the
- 9 determination is made.]
- 10 Section 2. Section 3 of the act, amended October 19, 1995
- 11 (P.L.324, No.51) and reenacted and amended November 16, 2005
- 12 (P.L.385, No.72), is amended to read:
- 13 Section 3. Compensation of Governor and Lieutenant Governor;
- 14 State Treasurer; Auditor General; Attorney General;
- 15 Commissioners of the Pennsylvania Public Utility
- 16 Commission; and heads of departments.
- 17 (a) The Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and Cabinet. -- The
- 18 annual salaries of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor and the
- 19 heads of the departments shall be as follows: Governor,
- 20 \$125,000; Lieutenant Governor, \$105,000; Adjutant General,
- 21 \$90,000; Secretary of Aging, \$95,000; Secretary of Agriculture,
- 22 \$90,000; Secretary of Banking, \$90,000; Secretary of Community
- 23 and Economic Development, \$95,000; Secretary of the
- 24 Commonwealth, \$90,000; Secretary of Education, \$100,000;
- 25 Secretary of Environmental Protection, \$100,000; Secretary of
- 26 General Services, \$95,000; Secretary of Health, \$100,000;
- 27 Insurance Commissioner, \$90,000; Secretary of Labor and
- 28 Industry, \$100,000; Secretary of Public Welfare, \$100,000;
- 29 Secretary of Revenue, \$95,000; State Police Commissioner,
- 30 \$95,000; Secretary of Transportation, \$100,000; Secretary of

- 1 Corrections, \$100,000; Secretary of Conservation and Natural
- 2 Resources \$95,000.
- 3 (b) Compensation of State Treasurer, Auditor General and
- 4 Attorney General. -- The annual salaries of the State Treasurer,
- 5 Auditor General and Attorney General shall be as follows: State
- 6 Treasurer, \$104,000; Auditor General, \$104,000; Attorney
- 7 General, \$104,000.
- 8 (b.1) Compensation of members of boards and commission. -- The
- 9 annual salaries of the members of boards and commission shall be
- 10 as follows: member of the Liquor Control Board, \$48,800;
- 11 Chairman of the Liquor Control Board, \$50,800; member of the
- 12 Civil Service Commission, \$40,625; Chairman of the Civil Service
- 13 Commission, \$40,625; member of the State Tax Equalization Board,
- 14 \$16,250; Chairman of the State Tax Equalization Board, \$17,500;
- 15 member of Milk Marketing Board, \$15,625; Chairman of Milk
- 16 Marketing Board, \$16,250; member of the Securities Commission,
- 17 \$15,000; Chairman of the Securities Commission, \$16,250; member
- 18 of the Athletic Commission, \$12,500; Chairman of the Athletic
- 19 Commission, \$13,125; member of the Board of Pardons, \$11,500;
- 20 Chairman of the Board of Claims, \$84,800; member of the Board of
- 21 Claims, \$80,800.
- 22 (c) Additional compensation prohibited. -- Neither the
- 23 Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Treasurer, Auditor General
- 24 or Attorney General nor the head of any administrative
- 25 department nor member of any board or commission referenced
- 26 herein, shall receive any additional compensation for any
- 27 services rendered to the Commonwealth in any capacity.
- 28 (d) Compensation of commissioners of the Pennsylvania Public
- 29 Utility Commission. -- Each of the commissioners of the
- 30 Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission shall receive an annual

- 1 salary commensurate with the annual salary received by the
- 2 Secretary of Commerce, except the chairman, who shall receive an
- 3 additional \$2,500 per year.
- 4 [(e) Annual cost-of-living adjustment.--Beginning January 1,
- 5 1997, and each January 1 thereafter, the stated annual salaries
- 6 of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, the State Treasurer,
- 7 the Auditor General, the Attorney General and the heads of the
- 8 departments and members of boards and commissions denoted herein
- 9 shall be increased by an annual cost-of-living increase
- 10 calculated by applying the percentage change in the Consumer
- 11 Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the
- 12 Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland area, for the
- 13 most recent 12-month period for which figures have been
- 14 officially reported by the United States Department of Labor,
- 15 Bureau of Labor Statistics immediately prior to the date the
- 16 adjustment is due to take effect, to the then current salary
- 17 amounts authorized. The percentage increase and the salary
- 18 amounts shall be determined by the Governor prior to the annual
- 19 effective date of the adjustment and shall be published by the
- 20 Secretary of the Budget in the Pennsylvania Bulletin within ten
- 21 days of the date the determination is made.]
- 22 Section 3. Section 4(d) and (d.1) of the act, reenacted
- 23 November 16, 2005 (P.L.385, No.72), are amended to read:
- 24 Section 4. Members of the General Assembly.
- 25 * * *
- 26 [(d) Subsequent annual cost-of-living adjustment for
- 27 members. -- For the 12-month period beginning December 1, 1997,
- 28 through November 30, 1998, and for each like 12-month period
- 29 thereafter, the salary of the members of the General Assembly
- 30 shall be increased by an annual cost-of-living adjustment

- 1 calculated by applying the percentage change in the Consumer
- 2 Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the
- 3 Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland area, for the
- 4 most recent 12-month period for which figures have been
- 5 officially reported by the United States Department of Labor,
- 6 Bureau of Labor Statistics immediately prior to the date the
- 7 adjustment is due to take effect, to the then current salary
- 8 amounts. The percentage increase and the new salary amounts
- 9 shall be determined jointly by the Chief Clerk of the Senate and
- 10 the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives prior to the
- 11 annual effective date of the adjustment and shall be published
- 12 by them in the Pennsylvania Bulletin within ten days of the date
- 13 such determination is made.
- 14 (d.1) Subsequent annual cost-of-living adjustment for
- 15 officers and leaders. -- For the 12-month period beginning
- 16 December 1, 1997, through November 30, 1998, and for each like
- 17 12-month period thereafter, the additional compensation of the
- 18 officers and leaders of the General Assembly shall be increased
- 19 by an annual cost-of-living adjustment calculated by applying
- 20 the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban
- 21 Consumers (CPI-U) for the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and
- 22 Maryland area, for the most recent 12-month period for which
- 23 figures have been officially reported by the United States
- 24 Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics immediately
- 25 prior to the date the adjustment is due to take effect, to the
- 26 then current compensation. The percentage increase and the new
- 27 compensation amounts shall be determined jointly by the Chief
- 28 Clerk of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of
- 29 Representatives prior to the annual effective date of the
- 30 adjustment and shall be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin

- 1 within 20 days immediately prior to each cost-of-living increase
- 2 taking effect.]
- 3 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.