HOUSE BILL No. 2704

By Committee on Appropriations

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AN ACT concerning the judicial branch; relating to salaries of justices, judges and nonjudicial employees; making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017; amending K.S.A. 75-3120f and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 75-3120g, 75-3120h and 75-3120k and repealing the existing sections.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

8 Section 1.

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- - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-3120f is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-3120f. (a) The annual salary of the chief justice of the supreme court and each of the other justices of the supreme court shall be paid in equal
 - (b) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of the chief justice of the supreme court shall be \$84.278 \$170,474.

installments each payroll period in accordance with this section.

- (c) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of other justices of the supreme court shall be \$82,005 \$166,307.
- Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 75-3120g is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-3120g. (a) The annual salary of district judges shall be paid in equal installments each payroll period in accordance with this section.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of district judges, other than district judges designated as chief judges, shall be \$114,813 \$146,889.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of district judges designated as chief judges shall be \$115.977 \$148.379.
- (d) No county may supplement the salary of, or pay any compensation to, any district judge.
- Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 75-3120h is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-3120h. (a) The annual salary of the chief judge of the court of appeals and each of the other judges of the court of appeals shall be paid in

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equal installments each payroll period in accordance with this section.

- (b) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of the chief judge of the court of appeals shall be \$122,062 \$164,894.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of the other judges of the court of appeals shall be \$\frac{\$118,971}{2}\$ \$160,939.
- Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 75-3120k is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-3120k. (a) The annual salary of district magistrate judges shall be paid in equal installments each payroll period in accordance with this section.
- (b) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) and except as otherwise provided in-K.S.A. 75-3120*l*, and amendments thereto, the annual salary of district magistrate judges shall be \$59,059 \$75,559.
- (c) Within the limits of the appropriations therefor, the county or counties comprising the judicial district may supplement the salary of, or pay any compensation to, any district magistrate judge. Any such supplemental salary or compensation shall be deposited in the state treasury in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto, and shall be credited to the district magistrate judge supplemental compensation fund. Any associated employer contributions and payments with respect to such supplemental salary or compensation that are made payable under law shall be paid by the county or counties providing such supplemental salary or compensation, in addition to such supplemental salary or compensation, in the same manner and under the same conditions and requirements as compensation payable pursuant to subsection (b). All such associated employer contributions and payments shall be remitted for deposit in the state treasury and shall be credited to the district magistrate supplemental compensation fund at the same time and in the same manner as such supplemental salary or compensation. As used in this section, employer contributions shall include, and the county or counties shall be required to contribute, employer contributions required pursuant to K.S.A. 20-2605, and amendments thereto, for any district magistrate judge who is a member of the retirement system for judges.
- (d) There is hereby established in the state treasury the district magistrate judge supplemental compensation fund.
- (e) All moneys credited to the district magistrate judge supplemental compensation fund shall be paid to, or on behalf of, the district magistrate judge or district magistrate judges for whom such moneys were remitted by the county or counties subject to the same conditions or restrictions imposed or prescribed by law, including any applicable withholding or other taxes, associated employer contributions and authorized payroll deductions.

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(f) All expenditures from the district magistrate judge supplemental compensation fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts and upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to payrolls approved by the chief justice of the Kansas supreme court or by a person or persons designated by the chief justice.

- (g) All salary or other compensation under this section shall be considered to be compensation provided by law for services as a district magistrate judge for all purposes under law.
- Sec. 6. K.S.A. 75-3120f and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 75-3120g, 75-3120h and 75-3120k are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.