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Introduced by:
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AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF JUDGES, FAMILY SUPPORT MAGISTRATES, REFEREES AND TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (h) of section 46b-231 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2007*):

4 [(h) (1) On and after April 1, 2002, the Chief Family Support
5 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred eight thousand eight
6 hundred twenty-one dollars, and other family support magistrates
7 shall receive an annual salary of one hundred three thousand five
8 hundred sixty-nine dollars.

9 (2) On and after January 1, 2005, the Chief Family Support
10 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred fourteen thousand
11 eight hundred six dollars, and other family support magistrates shall
12 receive an annual salary of one hundred nine thousand two hundred
13 sixty-five dollars.

14 (3) On and after January 1, 2006, the Chief Family Support

15 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred twenty-one thousand
16 one hundred twenty dollars, and other family support magistrates
17 shall receive an annual salary of one hundred fifteen thousand two
18 hundred seventy-five dollars.]

19 [(4)] (h) (1) On and after January 1, 2007, and subject to the
20 provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection, the Chief Family
21 Support Magistrate shall receive [a] an annual salary of one hundred
22 twenty-seven thousand seven hundred eighty-two dollars, and other
23 family support magistrates shall receive an annual salary of one
24 hundred twenty-one thousand six hundred fifteen dollars.

25 (2) On July 1, 2007, and on July first of each year thereafter, the
26 salary for the Chief Family Support Magistrate and other family
27 support magistrates shall be increased by a percentage, rounded up to
28 the nearest one-hundredth, that equals the average increase in the
29 annualized salaries for state managers for the fiscal year immediately
30 preceding the fiscal year in which the salary increases under this
31 subdivision are paid. For the purposes of this subdivision, the average
32 increase in the annualized salaries for state managers includes all
33 increases in base salary, annual increments and any other increase
34 reflected in the state managers' regular paychecks, except longevity
35 payments. All amounts used in calculating such increases shall be
36 rounded up to the next highest dollar. As used in this subdivision,
37 "state manager" means a managerial employee in the classified service,
38 as such terms are defined in section 5-196.

39 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 46b-236 of the general statutes is
40 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
41 *1, 2007*):

42 (b) [Each] (1) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (2) of this
43 section, each family support referee shall receive, for acting as a family
44 support referee, in addition to the retirement salary, the sum of one
45 hundred ninety dollars and expenses, including mileage, for each day
46 a family support referee is so engaged.

47 (2) On July 1, 2007, and on July first of each year thereafter, the sum
48 paid to each family support referee under this subsection shall be
49 increased by a percentage, rounded up to the nearest one-hundredth,
50 that equals the average increase in the annualized salaries for state
51 managers for the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in
52 which the increase in such sum under this subdivision is paid. For the
53 purposes of this subdivision, the average increase in the annualized
54 salaries for state managers includes all increases in base salary, annual
55 increments and any other increase reflected in the state managers'
56 regular paychecks, except longevity payments. All amounts used in
57 calculating such increases shall be rounded up to the next highest
58 dollar. As used in this subdivision, "state manager" means a
59 managerial employee in the classified service, as such terms are
60 defined in section 5-196.

61 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 51-47 of the general statutes is
62 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
63 *1, 2007*):

64 (a) The judges of the Superior Court, judges of the Appellate Court
65 and judges of the Supreme Court shall receive annually salaries as
66 follows:

67 [(1) On and after April 1, 2002, (A) the Chief Justice of the Supreme
68 Court, one hundred forty-nine thousand five hundred eighty-two
69 dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme
70 Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred forty-three
71 thousand seven hundred thirty-eight dollars; (C) each associate judge
72 of the Supreme Court, one hundred thirty-eight thousand four
73 hundred four dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one
74 hundred thirty-six thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars; (E)
75 each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred twenty-nine thousand
76 nine hundred eighty-eight dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court
77 Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred twenty-
78 seven thousand six hundred seventeen dollars; (G) each judge of the

79 Superior Court, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars.

80 (2) On and after January 1, 2005, (A) the Chief Justice of the
81 Supreme Court, one hundred fifty-seven thousand eight hundred nine
82 dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme
83 Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred fifty-one
84 thousand six hundred forty-four dollars; (C) each associate judge of
85 the Supreme Court, one hundred forty-six thousand sixteen dollars;
86 (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred forty-four
87 thousand four hundred one dollars; (E) each judge of the Appellate
88 Court, one hundred thirty-seven thousand one hundred thirty-seven
89 dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the
90 Superior Court, one hundred thirty-four thousand six hundred thirty-
91 six dollars; (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred thirty-
92 one thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars.

93 (3) On and after January 1, 2006, (A) the Chief Justice of the
94 Supreme Court, one hundred sixty-six thousand four hundred eighty-
95 nine dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the
96 Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred fifty-
97 nine thousand nine hundred eighty-four dollars; (C) each associate
98 judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred fifty-four thousand forty-
99 seven dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred
100 fifty-two thousand three hundred forty-three dollars; (E) each judge of
101 the Appellate Court, one hundred forty-four thousand six hundred
102 eighty dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of
103 the Superior Court, one hundred forty-two thousand forty-one dollars;
104 (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred thirty-nine
105 thousand one hundred twenty-eight dollars.]

106 [(4)] (1) On and after January 1, 2007, and subject to the provisions
107 of subdivision (2) of this subsection, (A) the Chief Justice of the
108 Supreme Court, one hundred seventy-five thousand six hundred forty-
109 five dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the
110 Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred sixty-

111 eight thousand seven hundred eighty-three dollars; (C) each associate
112 judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred sixty-two thousand five
113 hundred twenty dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court,
114 one hundred sixty thousand seven hundred twenty-two dollars; (E)
115 each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred fifty-two thousand six
116 hundred thirty-seven dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court
117 Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred forty-nine
118 thousand eight hundred fifty-three dollars; (G) each judge of the
119 Superior Court, one hundred forty-six thousand seven hundred eighty
120 dollars.

121 (2) On July 1, 2007, and on July first of each year thereafter, the
122 salary for the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Chief Court
123 Administrator if a judge of the Supreme Court, Appellate Court or
124 Superior Court, each associate judge of the Supreme Court, the Chief
125 Judge of the Appellate Court, each judge of the Appellate Court, the
126 Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court and
127 each judge of the Superior Court shall be increased by a percentage,
128 rounded up to the nearest one-hundredth, that equals the average
129 increase in the annualized salaries for state managers for the fiscal year
130 immediately preceding the fiscal year in which the salary increases
131 under this subdivision are paid. For the purposes of this subdivision,
132 the average increase in the annualized salaries for state managers
133 includes all increases in base salary, annual increments and any other
134 increase reflected in the state managers' regular paychecks, except
135 longevity payments. All amounts used in calculating such increases
136 shall be rounded up to the next highest dollar. As used in this
137 subdivision, "state manager" means a managerial employee in the
138 classified service, as such terms are defined in section 5-196.

139 Sec. 4. Subsection (f) of section 52-434 of the general statutes is
140 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
141 *1, 2007*):

142 (f) (1) Each judge trial referee shall receive, for acting as a referee or

143 as a single auditor or committee of any court or for performing duties
144 assigned by the Chief Court Administrator with the approval of the
145 Chief Justice, for each day the judge trial referee is so engaged, in
146 addition to the retirement salary: [(1) (A) On and after January 1, 2006,
147 and before January 1, 2007, the sum of two hundred fifteen dollars,
148 and (B) on] (A) On and after January 1, 2007, and subject to the
149 provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection, the sum of two
150 hundred twenty dollars; and [(2)] (B) expenses, including mileage.
151 Such amounts shall be taxed by the court making the reference in the
152 same manner as other court expenses.

153 (2) On July 1, 2007, and on July first of each year thereafter, the sum
154 paid to each judge trial referee under this subsection shall be increased
155 by a percentage, rounded up to the nearest one-hundredth, that equals
156 the average increase in the annualized salaries for state managers for
157 the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in which the
158 increase in such sum under this subdivision is paid. For the purposes
159 of this subdivision, the average increase in the annualized salaries for
160 state managers includes all increases in base salary, annual increments
161 and any other increase reflected in the state managers' regular
162 paychecks, except longevity payments. All amounts used in
163 calculating such increases shall be rounded up to the next highest
164 dollar. As used in this subdivision, "state manager" means a
165 managerial employee in the classified service, as such terms are
166 defined in section 5-196.

167 Sec. 5. *(Effective July 1, 2007)* On July 1, 2007, the judicial branch
168 shall, within available appropriations, increase the hourly or per diem
169 rate of compensation for temporary employees of the judicial branch,
170 including, but not limited to, court monitors, court clerks, court
171 interpreters, family relations staff, juvenile detention staff and clerical
172 and support staff, who are not members of an employee organization,
173 as defined in section 5-270 of the general statutes, or covered by a
174 collective bargaining agreement. Such increase shall not be less than
175 five per cent.

176 Sec. 6. (Effective July 1, 2007) The sum of five million dollars is
177 appropriated to the Judicial Department, from the General Fund, for
178 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, for the purpose of increasing the
179 hourly or per diem rate of compensation for temporary employees as
180 provided in section 5 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	46b-231(h)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	46b-236(b)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	51-47(a)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	52-434(f)
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To provide for an indexed annual increase of the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court, Appellate Court and Superior Court and the family support magistrates and an indexed annual increase of the per diem rates paid to family support referees, senior judges and judge trial referees, and to increase the hourly or per diem rate of compensation for approximately six hundred temporary employees of the judicial branch.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]