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Introduced by:
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AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION OF JUDGES, FAMILY SUPPORT MAGISTRATES, FAMILY SUPPORT REFEREES AND JUDGE TRIAL REFEREES.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 51-47 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2010*):

4 (a) The judges of the Superior Court, judges of the Appellate Court
5 and judges of the Supreme Court shall receive annually salaries as
6 follows:

7 [(1) On and after April 1, 2002, (A) the Chief Justice of the Supreme
8 Court, one hundred forty-nine thousand five hundred eighty-two
9 dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme
10 Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred forty-three
11 thousand seven hundred thirty-eight dollars; (C) each associate judge
12 of the Supreme Court, one hundred thirty-eight thousand four
13 hundred four dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one
14 hundred thirty-six thousand eight hundred seventy-three dollars; (E)

15 each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred twenty-nine thousand
16 nine hundred eighty-eight dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court
17 Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred twenty-
18 seven thousand six hundred seventeen dollars; (G) each judge of the
19 Superior Court, one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars.

20 (2) On and after January 1, 2005, (A) the Chief Justice of the
21 Supreme Court, one hundred fifty-seven thousand eight hundred nine
22 dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme
23 Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred fifty-one
24 thousand six hundred forty-four dollars; (C) each associate judge of
25 the Supreme Court, one hundred forty-six thousand sixteen dollars;
26 (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred forty-four
27 thousand four hundred one dollars; (E) each judge of the Appellate
28 Court, one hundred thirty-seven thousand one hundred thirty-seven
29 dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the
30 Superior Court, one hundred thirty-four thousand six hundred thirty-
31 six dollars; (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred thirty-
32 one thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars.

33 (3) On and after January 1, 2006, (A) the Chief Justice of the
34 Supreme Court, one hundred sixty-six thousand four hundred eighty-
35 nine dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the
36 Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred fifty-
37 nine thousand nine hundred eighty-four dollars; (C) each associate
38 judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred fifty-four thousand forty-
39 seven dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred
40 fifty-two thousand three hundred forty-three dollars; (E) each judge of
41 the Appellate Court, one hundred forty-four thousand six hundred
42 eighty dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court Administrator if a judge of
43 the Superior Court, one hundred forty-two thousand forty-one dollars;
44 (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred thirty-nine
45 thousand one hundred twenty-eight dollars.]

46 [(4)] (1) On and after January 1, 2007, (A) the Chief Justice of the

47 Supreme Court, one hundred seventy-five thousand six hundred forty-
48 five dollars; (B) the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the
49 Supreme Court, Appellate Court or Superior Court, one hundred sixty-
50 eight thousand seven hundred eighty-three dollars; (C) each associate
51 judge of the Supreme Court, one hundred sixty-two thousand five
52 hundred twenty dollars; (D) the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court,
53 one hundred sixty thousand seven hundred twenty-two dollars; (E)
54 each judge of the Appellate Court, one hundred fifty-two thousand six
55 hundred thirty-seven dollars; (F) the Deputy Chief Court
56 Administrator if a judge of the Superior Court, one hundred forty-nine
57 thousand eight hundred fifty-three dollars, except that on and after
58 July 1, 2010, such salary shall be one hundred sixty-one thousand five
59 hundred dollars; (G) each judge of the Superior Court, one hundred
60 forty-six thousand seven hundred eighty dollars.

61 (2) On July 15, 2010, and on July fifteenth of each year thereafter, the
62 annual salary in effect on said date for the Chief Justice of the Supreme
63 Court, the Chief Court Administrator if a judge of the Supreme Court,
64 Appellate Court or Superior Court, each associate judge of the
65 Supreme Court, the Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, each judge of
66 the Appellate Court, the Deputy Chief Court Administrator and each
67 judge of the Superior Court shall be increased by a percentage,
68 rounded up to the nearest hundredth, that equals the average increase
69 in annualized salaries of state managers for the preceding fiscal year.
70 For the purposes of this subdivision, "state manager" means a
71 managerial employee in the classified service as defined in section 5-
72 196, and "annualized salary" includes base salary increases, base merit
73 increases and any other increase reflected in the employee's regular
74 paycheck, except longevity payments.

75 Sec. 2. Subsection (h) of section 46b-231 of the general statutes is
76 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
77 *1, 2010*):

78 [(h) (1) On and after April 1, 2002, the Chief Family Support

79 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred eight thousand eight
80 hundred twenty-one dollars, and other family support magistrates
81 shall receive an annual salary of one hundred three thousand five
82 hundred sixty-nine dollars.

83 (2) On and after January 1, 2005, the Chief Family Support
84 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred fourteen thousand
85 eight hundred six dollars, and other family support magistrates shall
86 receive an annual salary of one hundred nine thousand two hundred
87 sixty-five dollars.

88 (3) On and after January 1, 2006, the Chief Family Support
89 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred twenty-one thousand
90 one hundred twenty dollars, and other family support magistrates
91 shall receive an annual salary of one hundred fifteen thousand two
92 hundred seventy-five dollars.]

93 [(4)] (h) (1) On and after January 1, 2007, the Chief Family Support
94 Magistrate shall receive a salary of one hundred twenty-seven
95 thousand seven hundred eighty-two dollars, and other family support
96 magistrates shall receive an annual salary of one hundred twenty-one
97 thousand six hundred fifteen dollars.

98 (2) On July 15, 2010, and on July fifteenth of each year thereafter, the
99 annual salary in effect on said date for the Chief Family Support
100 Magistrate and the other family support magistrates shall be increased
101 by a percentage, rounded up to the nearest hundredth, that equals the
102 average increase in annualized salaries of state managers for the
103 preceding fiscal year. For the purposes of this subdivision, "state
104 manager" means a managerial employee in the classified service as
105 defined in section 5-196, and "annualized salary" includes base salary
106 increases, base merit increases and any other increase reflected in the
107 employee's regular paycheck, except longevity payments.

108 Sec. 3. Subsection (b) of section 46b-236 of the general statutes is
109 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

110 1, 2010):

111 (b) [Each] (1) On and after January 1, 2005, each family support
112 referee shall receive, for acting as a family support referee, in addition
113 to the retirement salary, (A) the sum of one hundred ninety dollars,
114 and (B) expenses, including mileage, for each day a family support
115 referee is so engaged.

116 (2) On July 15, 2010, and on July fifteenth of each year thereafter, the
117 per diem sum in effect on said date for each family support referee
118 shall be increased by a percentage, rounded up to the nearest
119 hundredth, that equals the average increase in annualized salaries of
120 state managers for the preceding fiscal year. For the purposes of this
121 subdivision, "state manager" means a managerial employee in the
122 classified service as defined in section 5-196, and "annualized salary"
123 includes base salary increases, base merit increases and any other
124 increase reflected in the employee's regular paycheck, except longevity
125 payments.

126 Sec. 4. Subsection (f) of section 52-434 of the general statutes is
127 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
128 *1, 2010*):

129 (f) (1) Each judge trial referee shall receive, for acting as a referee or
130 as a single auditor or committee of any court or for performing duties
131 assigned by the Chief Court Administrator with the approval of the
132 Chief Justice, for each day the judge trial referee is so engaged, in
133 addition to the retirement salary: [(1) (A) On and after January 1, 2006,
134 and before January 1, 2007, the sum of two hundred fifteen dollars,
135 and (B) on] (A) On and after January 1, 2007, the sum of two hundred
136 twenty dollars; and [(2)] (B) expenses, including mileage. Such
137 amounts shall be taxed by the court making the reference in the same
138 manner as other court expenses.

139 (2) On July 15, 2010, and on July fifteenth of each year thereafter, the
140 per diem sum in effect on said date for each judge trial referee shall be

141 increased by a percentage, rounded up to the nearest hundredth, that
142 equals the average increase in annualized salaries of state managers for
143 the preceding fiscal year. For the purposes of this subdivision, "state
144 manager" means a managerial employee in the classified service as
145 defined in section 5-196, and "annualized salary" includes base salary
146 increases, base merit increases and any other increase reflected in the
147 employee's regular paycheck, except longevity payments.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2010</i>	51-47(a)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2010</i>	46b-231(h)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2010</i>	46b-236(b)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2010</i>	52-434(f)

Statement of Purpose:

To create a mechanism whereby increases in the salaries of judges and family support magistrates and in the per diem rates paid to senior judges, judge trial referees and family support referees are linked to the average increase in compensation afforded to executive branch managers.

[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.]