

Senate Bill 139

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CHAPTER 324, LAWS OF 1967

AN ACT to repeal 20.930 (1) (a) (line 7); to amend 271.21; and to create 20.930 (3) of the statutes, relating to the salary of circuit court reporters and increasing certain court fees.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.930 (1) (a) (line 7) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 20.930 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

20.930 (3) The salary range for circuit court reporter shall be established as an amount equal to the salary range for stenographic reporter 2 in the state classification and compensation plan for positions in the classified service. The rate payable on original appointment shall be the minimum of the salary range; however, if a potential appointee possesses unusual qualifications directly related to the requirements of the position the appointing officer may hire him at any step up to the three-quarter point of the salary range commensurate with the employe's prior experience. Pay adjustments based on merit may be granted annually by the appointing officer and they shall be in an amount equal to the salary range step for stenographic reporter 2. If the stenographic reporter 2 classification is abolished or reduced in salary grade, the salary range and other provisions related thereto shall remain in effect as to circuit court reporters, subject to change by the legislature.

SECTION 2g. 271.21 of the statutes is amended to read:

271.21 In each civil action, special proceeding, except probate proceedings, and cognovit judgment in the circuit or county court, excluding all matters brought into the probate branches, a suit tax of \$5 \$7 shall be paid at the time the action is commenced, except that in actions by small claim type procedure and forfeiture actions in the county court, the tax is \$1. A municipality need not advance the \$1 tax but shall be exempt from payment of such tax until the defendant pays costs pursuant to s. 299.25. The tax paid in circuit court shall be paid into the state treasury after any credits are applied for transfer of cases to the county court in which case the rule governing remittance from the county court shall apply; the tax paid in county courts shall be paid one-half into the state treasury and one-half into the county treasury after any credit for transfer of cases to circuit court.

SECTION 3. As of January 1, 1968, salaries of circuit court reporter incumbents shall be at the three-quarter point of the range set for stenographic reporter 2 in the state classification and compensation plan (\$864.50 monthly)."

Approved January 2, 1968.