SENATE BILL NO. 184-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS)

FEBRUARY 15, 2001

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Adjusts prospective salary of supreme court justices and district court judges.

(BDR 1-517)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the judicial system; adjusting prospectively the salaries of supreme court justices and district court judges; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 2.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.050 1. Until the first Monday in January [1997,] 2003, the justices of the supreme court whose terms of office expire on the first Monday in January [1997] 2003 are entitled to receive an annual base salary of [\$85,000.] \$107,600. From and after the first Monday in January [1997,] 2003, their successors in office are entitled to receive [a salary of \$107,600.] an annual base salary of \$150,000.

2. Until the first Monday in January [1999,] 2005, the justices of the supreme court whose terms of office expire on the first Monday in January [1999] 2005 are entitled to receive an annual base salary of [\$85,000,] \$107,600. From and after the first Monday in January [1999,] 2005, their successors in office are entitled to receive [a salary of \$107,600.] an annual base salary of \$150,000.

3. Until the first Monday in January [2001, the justice] 2007, the justices of the supreme court whose [term] terms of office [expires] expire on the first Monday in January [2001 is] 2007 are entitled to receive an annual base salary of [\$85,000.] \$107,600. From and after the first Monday in January [2001, his successor] 2007, their successors in office [is] are entitled to receive [a salary of \$107,600.



- 4. The justices elected pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 2.030 and their respective successors are entitled to receive a salary of \$107,600.] an annual base salary of \$150,000.
- [5.] 4. All salaries provided for in this section are payable in biweekly installments as other state officers are paid.
 - Sec. 2. NRS 3.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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- 3.030 1. Until the first Monday in January [1997,] 2003, the annual base salary of each district judge is [\$79,000.] \$100,000. From and after the first Monday in January [1997,] 2003, the annual base salary of each district judge is [\$100,000.] \$130,000.
- 2. If a district judge has served in his office for at least 4 years, he is entitled to an additional salary of 2 percent of his *annual* base salary for each year of service. The additional salary must not exceed 22 percent of his *annual* base salary.
- 3. The *annual* base salaries and the additional salary for longevity must be paid in biweekly installments out of the district judges' salary account of the supreme court.
 - 4. No salary of any district judge may be paid in advance.
 - **Sec. 3.** Section 9 of chapter 433, Statutes of Nevada 1997, at page 1532, as last amended by section 40 of chapter 105, Statutes of Nevada 1999, at page 459, is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - Sec. 9. 1. Sections 1 [to 6, inclusive,], 2, 3, 5 and 6 of this act [] expire by limitation on the date on which the qualified electors of this state approve a constitutional amendment that establishes an intermediate court of appeals within the State of Nevada.
 - 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1, the additional justices whose positions are abolished by the establishment of an intermediate court of appeals must be permitted to serve the remainder of the terms to which they were elected. At the end of those terms, the positions of the additional justices must be abolished, along with the positions of any staff hired directly to support the additional justices.



