### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 15-COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

## (ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT)

#### Prefiled November 16, 2022

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Prescribes the manner for increasing the base salaries of district judges. (BDR 1-430)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to district judges; prescribing the manner for increasing the annual base salary of district judges; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

#### **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law sets the annual base salary for district judges at \$160,000. If a district judge serves in his or her office for at least 4 years, the district judge is entitled to an additional salary of 2 percent of his or her annual base salary for each year of service, not to exceed 22 percent of his or her annual base salary. (NRS 3.030) This bill provides for increases in the annual base salary of district judges every 6 years based upon the cumulative percentage increase in the salaries of the classified employees of this State.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 3.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.030 1. Until the first Monday in January [2009,] 2027, the annual base salary of each district judge is [\$130,000. From and after] \$160,000.

2. On the first Monday in January [2009,] 2027, the annual base salary of each district judge [is \$160,000.] must be increased by an amount equal to the cumulative percentage increase in the salaries of the classified employees of this State for the period beginning on January 5, 2009, and ending on January 3, 2027.





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On the first Monday of every sixth year thereafter, the annual base salary of each district judge must be increased by an amount equal to the cumulative percentage increase in the salaries of the classified employees of this State during the immediately preceding 6 years.

- [2.] 3. If a district judge has served in his or her office for at least 4 years, the district judge is entitled to an additional salary of 2 percent of his or her annual base salary for each year of service. The additional salary must not exceed 22 percent of his or her annual base salary.
- [3.] 4. The annual base salaries and the additional salary for longevity must be paid in biweekly installments out of the State Judicial Elected Officials Account of the Supreme Court.
  - [4.] 5. No salary of any district judge may be paid in advance.
  - **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.





