ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 19–COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT)

PREFILED OCTOBER 28, 2026

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to judicial compensation. (BDR 1-564)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State Highway Fund: No.

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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 courts; revising provisions governing the manner in which the annual base salary of the judges of the Nevada Court of Appeals is determined; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law sets the annual base salary for judges of the Nevada Court of Appeals at $165,000 and provides for increases in the annual base salary every 6 years based upon the cumulative percentage increase in the salaries of the classified employees of this State. (NRS 2A.080) Beginning on the first Monday in January 2029, **section 1** of this bill removes the cumulative percentage increase and instead sets the annual base salary for judges of the Nevada Court of Appeals every 6 years based upon a specified calculation.

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

Section 1. NRS 2A.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2A.080 1. Until the first Monday in January 2029, the annual base salary of each judge of the Court of Appeals is $165,000. On the first Monday in January 2029 and on the first Monday of every sixth year thereafter, the annual base salary of his or her successor in office must be **[**~~increased by~~**]** ***established in*** an amount equal to the **[**~~cumulative percentage increase in the salaries of the classified~~

~~employees of this State during the immediately preceding 6 years.~~] ***sum of:***

(a) The annual base salary of a district judge calculated pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 3.030; and

(b) One-half of the difference between the annual base salary of a justice of the Supreme Court calculated pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 2.050 and the annual base salary of a district judge calculated pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 3.030.

2. A judge of the Court of Appeals who has served as a justice of the Supreme Court, judge of the Court of Appeals or judge of a district court, or any combination thereof, for at least 4 years 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. The salary provided for in this section is payable in biweekly installments as other state officers are paid.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2027.

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