

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 1038

By: Walke of the House

3 and

4 Simpson of the Senate

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7 [court reporters - salaries - effective date]
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

11 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2011, Section 106.9, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Section 106.9 A. ~~Until October 1, 2006, the salaries of all~~
14 ~~court reporters regularly engaged by the district court, the~~
15 ~~Workers' Compensation Court, or the Corporation Commission shall be~~
16 ~~paid by the state, except as otherwise provided in this section.~~
17 ~~Full-time court reporters regularly engaged by the district court,~~
18 ~~the Workers' Compensation Court and the Corporation Commission who~~
19 ~~are certified shorthand reporters shall be paid Thirty-five Thousand~~
20 ~~Six Hundred Dollars (\$35,600.00) per year, payable monthly.~~
21 ~~Effective October 1, 2006, the salaries of all court reporters~~
22 ~~regularly engaged by the district court, the Workers' Compensation~~
23 ~~Court, or the Corporation Commission shall be paid by the state,~~
24 ~~except as otherwise provided in this section. Full-time The Office~~

1 of Management and Enterprise Services is hereby authorized and
2 required to develop job descriptions and a compensation schedule for
3 all full-time court reporters regularly engaged by the district
4 courts, the Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims and the
5 Corporation Commission who are certified shorthand reporters. The
6 Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall establish and
7 publish the compensation schedules by January 1, 2020. Beginning
8 July 1, 2020, all full-time court reporters regularly engaged by the
9 district court, the Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims
10 and the Corporation Commission who are certified shorthand reporters
11 shall be paid ~~Thirty-nine Thousand One Hundred Sixty Dollars~~
12 ~~(\$39,160.00) per year, payable monthly in accordance with the~~
13 compensation schedules developed by the Office of Management and
14 Enterprise Services as prescribed by this subsection.

15 B. In addition to their base salaries, official court reporters
16 who are certified or licensed shorthand reporters and those acting
17 shorthand reporters pursuant to paragraph c of Section 106.3B of
18 this title shall be paid annually the sum of Four Hundred Dollars
19 (\$400.00) for each year of service to the district court, the
20 Workers' Compensation Court, the Workers' Compensation Court of
21 Existing Claims and the Corporation Commission, with a maximum of
22 twenty (20) years of service only to be used for the purpose of
23 longevity, not to exceed Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) per
24 year, payable monthly. For the purpose of payment for longevity,

1 "years of service" is defined as all years served as a certified or
2 licensed court reporter in the district court, the Workers'
3 Compensation Court, the Workers' Compensation Court of Existing
4 Claims and the Corporation Commission after June 30, 1978. Such
5 longevity payments shall begin on July 1 of each year following
6 completion of one (1) year's service as defined herein.

7 C. In addition to their base salaries, official court reporters
8 who are certified shorthand reporters shall be paid the following:

9 1. The sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per
10 year, payable monthly, to any official court reporter who is a
11 Registered Professional Reporter (RPR), as recognized by the State
12 Board of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters. To qualify as
13 a RPR, an official court reporter shall have a proficiency level in
14 reporting testimony and proceedings of a speed of not less than two
15 hundred twenty-five (225) words per minute in taking a question-and-
16 answer-type dictation, two hundred (200) words per minute in taking
17 a jury charge and one hundred eighty (180) words per minute in
18 taking literary material, shall pass a Written Knowledge Test with a
19 score of at least seventy percent (70%), all as determined by an
20 examination recognized by the Board, and shall complete thirty (30)
21 hours of continuing education per three-year cycle commencing at the
22 date of recognition;

23 2. The sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per
24 year, payable monthly, to any official court reporter who is a

1 Registered Merit Reporter (RMR), as recognized by the State Board of
2 Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters. To qualify as a RMR, an
3 official court reporter shall have a proficiency level in reporting
4 testimony and proceedings of a speed of not less than two hundred
5 sixty (260) words per minute in taking a question-and-answer-type
6 dictation, two hundred forty (240) words per minute in taking a jury
7 charge and two hundred (200) words per minute in taking literary
8 material, shall pass a Written Knowledge Test with a score of at
9 least seventy percent (70%), all as determined by an examination
10 recognized by the Board, and shall complete thirty (30) hours of
11 continuing education per three-year cycle commencing at the date of
12 recognition;

13 3. The sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per
14 year, payable monthly, to any official court reporter who is a
15 Registered Diplomat Reporter (RDR), as recognized by the State Board
16 of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters, and who completes
17 thirty (30) hours of continuing education per three-year cycle
18 commencing at the date of recognition;

19 4. The sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per
20 year, payable monthly, to any official court reporter who is a
21 Certified Realtime Reporter (CRR), as recognized by the State Board
22 of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters, and who completes
23 thirty (30) hours of continuing education per three-year cycle
24 commencing at the date of recognition; or

1 5. Any official court reporter who is the holder of more than
2 one certification shall be compensated in the additional amounts
3 specified in paragraphs 1 through 4 of this subsection for each
4 certification up to a maximum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)
5 per year over and above the reporter's base salary, payable monthly.

6 D. Court reporters temporarily employed by the district court,
7 Workers' Compensation Court of Existing Claims, or Corporation
8 Commission shall be compensated by the court fund of the court which
9 they serve at a rate to be set by such court. In addition, court
10 reporters temporarily employed pursuant to this subsection who are
11 required by the terms of their employment to travel outside their
12 county of residence, shall receive reimbursement for mileage
13 actually and necessarily traveled to and from the place of
14 attendance at a rate not to exceed the rate of reimbursement
15 specified in the State Travel Reimbursement Act for state employees.
16 Any travel reimbursement shall be paid from the court fund of the
17 court where the service of the temporarily employed court reporter
18 is provided.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 13th day of March, 2019.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
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5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2019.

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