1	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION
2	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
3	1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)
4	ENGROSSED SENATE
5	BILL NO. 290  By: Hamilton, Burns, and Boren  of the Senate
6	and
7	Olsen of the House
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9	An Act relating to conduct of elections; amending 26
10	O.S. 2021, Section 2-129, which relates to compensation of precinct officials; increasing
11	compensation for certain election officials; conforming language; and declaring an emergency.
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
14	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2021, Section 2-129, is
15	amended to read as follows:
16	Section 2-129. A. 1. For any election held on or after <del>July</del>
17	1, 2020, and prior to July 1, 2024, the inspector shall be paid One
18	Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00).
19	2. For any election held on or after July 1, 2024, and prior to
20	July 1, 2028, the inspector shall be paid One Hundred Twenty-five
21	Dollars (\$125.00).
22	3. For any election held on or after July 1, 2028 the effective
23	date of this act, the inspector shall be paid One Hundred Fifty
24	Dollars (\$150.00) Two Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$225.00).

B. 1. For any election held on or after July 1, 2020, and prior to July 1, 2024, judges and clerks shall be paid One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

- 2. For any election held on or after July 1, 2024, and prior to July 1, 2028, judges and clerks shall be paid One Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$115.00).
- 3. For any election held on or after July 1, 2028 the effective date of this act, judges and clerks shall be paid One Hundred Thirty

  Dollars (\$130.00) Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).
- C. B. Precinct officials assigned to work a polling place ten (10) miles or more from their home, shall be allowed mileage reimbursement at the rate provided by the State Travel Reimbursement Act for mileage incurred from their home to and from their assigned polling place. In addition, inspectors shall be allowed mileage reimbursement at the rate provided by the State Travel Reimbursement Act for mileage incurred to receive or return ballots and materials for the election.
- D. C. Compensation and mileage reimbursement provided herein shall be paid for any election conducted by a county election board.
- E. D. 1. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the compensation described in subsections  $A_7$  and B and C of this section shall be paid by the county election board from county funds and the remainder shall be paid by the State Election Board for all regular Primary, Runoff Primary and General Elections for state and federal offices, for the

- Presidential Preferential Primary Election, and for all statewide special elections and all special elections for United States

  Representatives or United States Senators and State Senators or

  State Representatives.
  - 2. Except for elections described in paragraph 1 of this subsection, for all other elections conducted by a county election board, the entity for which the election is being conducted shall pay the compensation and mileage reimbursement described in subsections  $A_{7}$  and  $B_{7}$  and C of this section; provided, if an election for more than one entity is conducted in the same precinct, the entities shall equally share the cost of precinct official compensation and mileage reimbursement for that precinct.
  - F. E. The secretary of the county election board may appoint volunteer precinct officials who shall not receive the compensation provided herein by this section.
  - SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

21 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND ETHICS, dated 04/03/2023 - DO PASS.