

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

SENATE BILL 290

By: Hamilton

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to conduct of elections; amending 26 O.S. 2021, Section 2-129, which relates to compensation of precinct officials; increasing compensation for certain election officials; conforming language; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2021, Section 2-129, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-129. A. 1. For any election held on or after ~~July 1, 2020, and prior to July 1, 2024, the inspector shall be paid One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00).~~

~~2. For any election held on or after July 1, 2024, and prior to July 1, 2028, the inspector shall be paid One Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$125.00).~~

~~3. For any election held on or after July 1, 2028~~ the effective date of this act, the inspector shall be paid ~~One Hundred Fifty 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).~~

1 2. For any election held on or after ~~July 1, 2024, and prior to~~
2 ~~July 1, 2028, judges and clerks shall be paid One Hundred Fifteen~~
3 ~~Dollars (\$115.00).~~

4 ~~3. For any election held on or after July 1, 2028~~ the effective
5 date of this act, judges and clerks shall be paid ~~One Hundred Thirty~~
6 ~~Dollars (\$130.00)~~ Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

7 ~~E.~~ B. Precinct officials assigned to work a polling place ten
8 (10) miles or more from their home, shall be allowed mileage
9 reimbursement at the rate provided by the State Travel Reimbursement
10 Act for mileage incurred from their home to and from their assigned
11 polling place. In addition, inspectors shall be allowed mileage
12 reimbursement at the rate provided by the State Travel Reimbursement
13 Act for mileage incurred to receive or return ballots and materials
14 for the election.

15 ~~D.~~ C. Compensation and mileage reimbursement provided ~~herein~~
16 shall be paid for any election conducted by a county election board.

17 ~~E.~~ D. 1. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the compensation described in
18 subsections ~~A, B and C~~ A, B and C of this section shall be paid by the
19 county election board from county funds and the remainder shall be
20 paid by the State Election Board for all regular Primary, Runoff
21 Primary and General Elections for state and federal offices, for the
22 Presidential Preferential Primary Election, and for all statewide
23 special elections and all special elections for United States
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1 Representatives or United States Senators and State Senators or
2 State Representatives.

3 2. Except for elections described in paragraph 1 of this
4 subsection, for all other elections conducted by a county election
5 board, the entity for which the election is being conducted shall
6 pay the compensation and mileage reimbursement described in
7 subsections ~~A, and B, and C~~ A, and B of this section; provided, if an
8 election for more than one entity is conducted in the same precinct,
9 the entities shall equally share the cost of precinct official
10 compensation and mileage reimbursement for that precinct.

11 ~~F. E.~~ E. The secretary of the county election board may appoint
12 volunteer precinct officials who shall not receive the compensation
13 provided ~~herein~~ by this section.

14 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
15 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
16 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
17 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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