

OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE  
CONFERENCE  
COMMITTEE REPORT

May 23, 2023

Mr. President:

Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

SB290

By: Hamilton, Burns and Boren of the Senate and Olsen, Deck, Munson and Dollens of the House

Title: Conduct of elections; increasing compensation for certain election officials. Emergency.

together with Engrossed House Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations:

1. That the House recede from all Amendments.
2. That the following Conference Committee Amendment be adopted:

Page 3, Lines 14-17, by deleting all language and inserting a new SECTION 2 to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024."

3. By amending the title to conform as follows:

"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 providing an effective date."

Respectfully submitted,

SENATE CONFEREES:

  
Hamilton

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HOUSE CONFEREES:

Conference Committee on Elections and Ethics

Senate Action \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ House Action \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT  
TO  
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 290

By: Hamilton, Burns, and Boren  
of the Senate

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4 and

Olsen of the House  
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8 O.S. 2021, Section 2-129, which relates to  
9 compensation of precinct officials; increasing  
compensation for certain election officials;  
conforming language; and declaring an emergency.

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12 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 1, Lines 6 through 8, strike the title to  
read:

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14 "[ conduct of elections - compensation of precinct  
15 officials - conforming language -  
16 emergency ]"

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Passed the House of Representatives the 18th day of April, 2023.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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8 compensation of precinct officials; increasing  
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conforming language; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

13 Section 2-129. A. 1. For any election held on or after July  
14 ~~1, 2020, and prior to July 1, 2024, the inspector shall be paid One~~  
15 ~~Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00).~~

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

19 ~~3. For any election held on or after July 1, 2028~~ the effective  
20 date of this act, the inspector shall be paid ~~One Hundred Fifty~~  
21 ~~Dollars (\$150.00)~~ Two Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$225.00).

22 B. 1. ~~For any election held on or after July 1, 2020, and~~  
23 ~~prior to July 1, 2024, judges and clerks shall be paid One Hundred~~  
24 ~~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 and B 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, B, and C 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. 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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1 Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2023.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
6 2023.

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