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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FURTHER

3/31/89

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE 4/6/90

Mr. President:

FINANCE Committee considered SB 230

compensation of justices and judges; efd

and recommended

- replace with CS SB 230 (Finance)  same title
- or adopt CS \_\_\_\_\_  new title
- attached amendment(s) and  technical title change (HB only)
- \_\_\_\_\_ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to \_\_\_\_\_

**FISCAL NOTE(S)**  zero  <sup>Courts 944.7</sup> fiscal impact  appropriation no FN  
 new  updated  previous  
 same as previous fiscal note(s) published \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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Paul Gurd (Do NOT Pass - Now is not the time for such a significant pay raise for an elected position)

John B. [Signature] No Rec.

Rich Uehly (No Rec)  
Chairman signature and recommendation

Committee Backup attached

STATE OF ALASKA  
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: CSSB 230 (Finance)  
Publish Date: 3/17/89

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date	<u>9/7/90</u>	Agency Affected:	<u>Alaska Court System</u>
Title:	<u>An Act relating to compensation of justices and judges</u>	BRU:	<u>Appellate &amp; Trial Courts</u>
Sponsor:	<u>Rules</u>	Components:	
Requestor:	<u>Finance</u>		

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95
Personal Services		944.7	944.7	944.7	944.7	944.7
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

General Funds	0.0	944.7	944.7	944.7	944.7	944.7
Federal Funds						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>	<b>944.7</b>

POSITIONS:

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached analysis.

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Agency:	<u>Alaska Court System</u>		

Distribution (by preparer):  
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Requestor  
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Impacted Agency(ies)

Original sponsor(s): Rules/State Officers Compensation Commission

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 230 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to compensation of justices and  
7 judges; and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 22.05.140(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

10 (a) The monthly base salary of the chief justice is \$8,333 and  
11 for each other justice, the monthly base salary is \$8,292.

12 \* Sec. 2. AS 22.05.140(c) is repealed and reenacted to read:

13 (c) In addition to the monthly salary, each justice is entitled  
14 to receive a geographic cost-of-living adjustment under AS 22.35.010,  
15 based on the location of the primary office assignment. Retirement  
16 contributions and benefits shall be computed only on the monthly base  
17 salary not including the geographic cost-of-living adjustment.

18 \* Sec. 3. AS 22.07.090(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

19 (a) The monthly base salary of a judge of the court of appeals  
20 is \$7,833. The compensation of a judge may not be diminished during  
21 the term of office, unless by a general law applying to all salaried  
22 officers of the state.

23 \* Sec. 4. AS 22.10.190(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

24 (a) The monthly base salary for each superior court judge is  
25 \$7,667.

26 \* Sec. 5. AS 22.10.190(c) is repealed and reenacted to read:

27 (c) In addition to the monthly salary, each superior court judge  
28 is entitled to receive a geographic cost-of-living adjustment under  
29 AS 22.35.010, based on the location of the primary office assignment.

1 Retirement contributions and benefits shall be computed only on the  
2 monthly base salary not including the geographic cost-of-living  
3 adjustment.

4 \* Sec. 6. AS 22.15.220(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 (a) The monthly base salary for each district court judge is  
6 \$6,500.

7 \* Sec. 7. AS 22.15.220(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

8 (d) In addition to the monthly salary, each district court judge  
9 is entitled to receive a geographic cost-of-living adjustment under  
10 AS 22.35.010, based on the location of the primary office assignment.  
11 Retirement contributions and benefits shall be computed only on the  
12 monthly base salary not including the geographic cost-of-living  
13 adjustment.

14 \* Sec. 8. AS 22 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

15 CHAPTER 35. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

16 Sec. 22.35.010. GEOGRAPHIC COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT. The  
17 following geographic cost-of-living adjustments apply to the first  
18 \$40,000 of the base salary of a justice of the supreme court or a  
19 judge of the superior or district court earned during a fiscal year:

20 Location of Primary Office	Percent Change
21 First Judicial District	0
22 Second Judicial District	17.5
23 Third Judicial District other than	
24 Kodiak and Valdez	0
25 Kodiak and Valdez	10.5
26 Fourth Judicial District other than Bethel	3.5
27 Bethel	17.5

28 \* Sec. 9. This Act takes effect July 1, 1990.

4/5/90  
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AMENDMENT

Offered in the Senate

To: ~~SB 230~~

Page 1, line 10:

Delete "\$8,083" and insert "~~\$8,333~~"

line 11:

Delete "\$8,043" and insert "~~\$8,292~~"

line 20:

Delete "\$7,598" and insert "~~\$7,833~~"

line 25:

Delete "\$7,437" and insert "~~\$7,667~~"

Page 2, line 6:

Delete "\$6,305" and insert "~~\$6,500~~"

STATE OF ALASKA  
1989 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: SB 230  
Publish Date: 3/31/89

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency Affected: Alaska Court System  
 Title: An Act relating to compensation of justices and judges BRU: Appellate & Trial Courts  
 Sponsor: Rules Components: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Requestor: Judiciary

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
Personal Services		797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

General Funds	0.0	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1
Federal Funds						
Other						
TOTAL	0.0	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1	797.1

POSITIONS:

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached analysis.

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Alaska Court System

SB 230 – Judicial Compensation

Fiscal Analysis

	<u>Amount</u>
Personal Services:	
Gross salary (adjusted for normal vacancy factor)	\$456,318
Benefits (variable & judicial retirement contributions)	<u>340,803</u>
Total Cost	<u><u>\$797,121</u></u>

**Alaska Court System  
 SB 230 – Judicial Compensation  
 Analysis of Proposed Salaries**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Existing</b>	<b>Change</b>
Chief Justice – Anchorage	\$96,996	\$85,728	\$11,268
Supreme Court Justice – Anchorage	96,504	85,728	10,776
Supreme Court Justice – Fairbanks	97,896	97,728	168
Appellate Court Judge – Anchorage	91,200	79,992	11,208
Superior Court Judge – Anchorage	89,196	77,304	11,892
Superior Court Judge – Barrow	96,204	90,828	5,376
Superior Court Judge – Bethel	96,204	90,828	5,376
Superior Court Judge – Fairbanks	90,600	88,128	2,472
Superior Court Judge – Juneau	89,196	77,304	11,892
Superior Court Judge – Kenai	89,196	82,716	6,480
Superior Court Judge – Kodiak	93,396	85,416	7,980
Superior Court Judge – Kotzebue	96,204	90,828	5,376
Superior Court Judge – Nome	96,204	90,828	5,376
Superior Court Judge – Palmer	89,196	80,004	9,192
Superior Court Judge – Petersburg	89,196	80,004	9,192
Superior Court Judge – Sitka	89,196	80,004	9,192
Superior Court Judge – Valdez	93,396	90,828	2,568
District Court Judge – Anchorage	75,696	66,816	8,880
District Court Judge – Fairbanks	77,100	76,176	924
District Court Judge – Homer	75,696	71,496	4,200
District Court Judge – Juneau	75,696	66,816	8,880
District Court Judge – Palmer	75,696	69,156	6,540