

commissioners court of a county may set the compensation of interpreters employed by the district courts in the county.

(b) The salary of an interpreter shall be paid on warrants issued by the district court or the clerk of the court in favor of the interpreter.

(c) The salary of an interpreter appointed under Subchapter B, Chapter 21, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is payable in equal monthly payments or by any other distribution at the option of the county.

(d) This section does not apply to interpreters for deaf or deaf-mute persons appointed under Subchapter A, Chapter 21, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, or Article 38.31, Code of Criminal Procedure.

Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 149, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1987. Amended by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 874, § 2, eff. June 16, 1991.

§ 152.904. COMPENSATION OF COUNTY JUDGE IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. (a) The county judge of Gregg County is entitled to receive an annual salary set by the commissioners court at an amount that does not exceed 90 percent of the total annual salary paid to any district judge in the county.

(b) The county judge of El Paso County is entitled to receive an annual salary in an amount not to exceed 90 percent of the total annual salary, including supplements, paid to any district judge in the county.

(c) The commissioners court of a county with a population of 250,000 to 251,000 shall set the annual salary of the county judge at an amount equal to or greater than 90 percent of the salary, including supplements, of any district judge in Galveston County. However, the salary may not be set at an amount less than the salary paid the county judge on May 2, 1962.

(d) The county judge of Webb County is entitled to receive a salary set by the commissioners court at at least \$20,000, but not more than the salary, including any supplements, paid to a district judge in the county. The salary shall be paid out of the county treasury by order of the commissioners court and shall be paid monthly in equal installments or by any other distribution at the option of the county.

(e) The Commissioners Court of Harris County shall set the annual salary of the county judge at an amount that is not less than \$1,000 more than the total annual salary received by county criminal court at law judges in the county. The salary shall be paid in 12 equal monthly installments.

Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 149, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1987. Amended by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 2, § 8.11(d), eff. Aug. 28, 1989; Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 597, § 90, eff. Sept. 1, 1991; Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 874, § 3, eff. June 16, 1991; Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 669, § 67, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

§ 152.905. PROCEDURES FOR SETTING COMPENSATION BY DISTRICT JUDGES. (a) This section applies only to the compensation of the county auditor, assistant auditors, and court reporters.

(b) Before setting the amount of annual compensation of the county auditor, assistant auditors, and court reporters, the district judge or judges shall hold a public hearing on the matter at which parties in interest and citizens have an opportunity to be heard.

(c) Not earlier than the 30th or later than the 10th day before the date of the hearing, notice of the time, place, and subject of the hearing must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county.

(d) At the hearing, the district judge or judges shall set the amount of compensation of the county auditor, assistant auditors, and court reporters considered at the hearing. The vote must be recorded, transcribed, and maintained as a public record.

Added by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 1169, § 1, eff. Aug. 28, 1989.
Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1225, § 1, eff. July 1, 2003.

§ 152.906. LONGEVITY PAY FOR DEPUTY CONSTABLES. In a county with a population of 190,000 or more, the commissioners court may provide for each county employee or classification of county employee, including, but not limited to, deputy constables, longevity pay, in addition to regular compensation, of \$5 a month, or any other amount determined by the commissioners court, for each year of service in the county, up to and including 30 years.

Added by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 773, § 1, eff. Aug. 26, 1991.

§ 152.907. CONTINUING EDUCATION EXPENSES FOR COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS. The commissioners court of a county may authorize payment of reasonable continuing education expenses incurred by a county or precinct officer if the expenses are related to the officer's official duties, including expenses incurred by the officer between the general election at which the officer is elected and the beginning of the officer's term of office.

Added by Acts 1999, 76th Leg., ch. 980, § 1, eff. June 18, 1999.