## CHAPTER 235

## JUDGES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

## H. F. 279

AN ACT to provide a pension and annuity retirement system for judges of the district court and the supreme court; to provide for the administration of such system; to provide for contributions by such judges and for contributions from the state to raise funds for such system; and to repeal conflicting laws.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. A retirement system is hereby created and established to be known as the "Judicial Retirement System", hereinafter called the "System".
- SEC. 2. The state comptroller shall be vested with authority to administer the system and may promulgate rules therefor not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.
- SEC. 3. This Act shall not apply to any judge of the district or supreme court until he gives notice in writing, while serving as such a judge, to the state comptroller and treasurer of state, of his purpose to come within its purview. Such notice shall be given within one year after the effective date hereof or within one year after any date on which he takes oath of office as such judge.
- SEC. 4. Each judge coming within the purview of this Act shall, on or before retirement, pay to the state comptroller for deposit with 3 the state treasurer to the credit of a fund to be known as the "Judicial Retirement Fund" a sum equal to three (3) percent of his basic salary for services as such judge for the total period of service as a judge of a district or supreme court before the date of said notice, and after the date of the notice there shall be deducted and withheld from the basic salary of each judge coming within the purview of this Act a sum equal to three (3) percent of such basic salary. Provided that the maximum amount which any judge shall be required 10 to contribute for past service shall not exceed for district judges 11 \$3,000.00 and for supreme court judge \$4,000.00. The amounts so 12 deducted and withheld from the basic salary of each said judge shall 13 be paid to the state comptroller for deposit with the treasurer of 14 state to the credit of the judicial retirement fund, and said fund is 15 hereby appropriated for the payment of annuities, refunds, and allow-16 ances herein provided. The judges of the district and supreme court 17 coming within the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to consent 18 and agree to the deductions from basic salary as provided herein, and 19 payment less such deductions shall be a full and complete discharge 20 and acquittance of all claims and demands whatsoever for all regular 21 services rendered by such judges during the period covered by such payment, except the right to the benefits to which they shall be entitled under the provisions of this Act. The state shall contribute a sum not exceeding three (3) percent of the basic salary of all judges for the years 1949 and 1950 and thereafter such sums as may be 22 23 24 25 26 necessary over the amount contributed by the judges to finance the 27 28 system.

- SEC. 5. No person shall be entitled to receive an annuity under this Act unless he shall have contributed, as herein provided, to the judicial retirement fund for the entire period of his service as a judge of either or both the district and supreme courts.
- SEC. 6. Any person who shall have become separated from service as a judge of the district or supreme court and who has had an aggregate of at least six years of service as a judge of either or both the district and supreme courts and shall have attained the age of sixty-seven (67) years, and who shall have otherwise qualified as provided in this Act, shall be entitled to an annuity as hereinafter provided.

1

23

7 1

2

3

4

5

6 7

9

10

11 12

13

14 15

16

17

1 2

3

4

6 7

8

- SEC. 7. The annuity of a judge under this system shall be an amount equal to two (2) percent of his average annual basic salary as a judge of either or both the district and supreme courts, multiplied by his years of service as a judge of either or both the district and supreme courts, but no such annuity shall exceed an amount equal to forty percentum (40%) of the salary that he is receiving at the time he becomes separated from such service.
- The amounts deducted and withheld from the basic salary of each judge of the district or supreme court for the credit of the judicial retirement fund and all amounts paid into such fund by each judge shall be credited to the individual account of such judge. In the event a judge of the district or supreme court becomes separated from service as such judge before he completes an aggregate of six years of service as a judge of either or both the district and supreme courts, the total amount of his contribution to the fund shall be returned to said judge or his legal representatives, and in the event a judge who has completed an aggregate of six years or more of service as a judge of either or both the district and supreme courts, dies before retirement, the total amount of his contribution to the fund shall be paid in one sum to his legal representatives, and in the event an annuitant under this section dies, without having received in annuities an amount equal to the total amount remaining to his credit at the time of his separation from service, the amount remaining to his credit shall be paid in one sum to his legal representatives.
  - SEC. 9. Annuities granted under the terms of this Act shall be due and payable in monthly installments on the last business day of each month following the month or other period for which the annuity shall have accrued and shall continue during the life of the annuitant and payment of all annuities, refunds, and allowances granted hereunder shall be made by checks or warrants drawn and issued by the state comptroller. Applications for annuities shall be in such form as the state comptroller may prescribe.
- SEC. 10. No annuity shall be paid to any person entitled to receive an annuity hereunder while he is serving as a state officer or employee.
- SEC. 11. So much of the judicial retirement fund as may not be necessary to be kept on hand for the making of disbursements under this Act shall be invested by the state treasurer in securities of the United States government and the earnings therefrom shall be credited to said fund.

- 1 SEC. 12. All laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are, 2 to the extent of such conflict, repealed.
- 1 SEC. 13. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be
- 2 in full force and effect on its publication in the Coggon Monitor, a
- 3 newspaper published at Coggon, Iowa, and in the Register, a news-
- 4 paper published at Rake, Iowa.

# Approved April 18, 1949.

Pursuant to authority vested in the undersigned, Secretary of State, the Register, Rake, Iowa, being non-existent, the following paper, The Rake Register, Thompson, Iowa, is designated to publish the foregoing act.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in The Rake Register, May 12, 1949, and in the Coggon Monitor, May 5, 1949.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.

#### CHAPTER 236

# DISTRICT COURT JUDGES

### S. F. 281

- AN ACT to amend section six hundred five point one (605.1), Code 1946, relating to salaries of judges of the district court.
- Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:
  - 1 SECTION 1. Section six hundred five point one (605.1), Code, 1946,
- 2 is amended by striking from lines two (2) and three (3), the words,
- 3 "six thousand dollars per year" and substituting in lieu thereof the
- 4 following: "seven thousand dollars per year, provided that the com-
- 5 pensation of judges during the terms existing at the time of the
- 6 passage of this act shall be at the rate of six thousand dollars per
- 7 year until the end of said existing terms.'

Approved April 20, 1949.

### CHAPTER 237

#### DISTRICT COURT JUDGES' ALLOWANCES

## H. F. 34

- AN ACT to amend section six hundred five point two (605.2), Code 1946, relating to daily expense allowances for judges of the district court.
- Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:
- 1 Section 1. Section six hundred five point two (605.2), Code 1946
- 2 is hereby amended by striking from line seven (7) the word "four"
- 3 and inserting in lieu thereof the word "six".
- 1 SEC. 2. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be
- 2 in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication