

# House Study Bill 160

## Conference Committee Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section [602.9204](#), subsection 1, Code 1995, is  
1 2 amended to read as follows:  
1 3 1. A senior judge

~~or a retired senior judge~~  
- shall

~~not~~  
- be

1 4 paid a salary as determined by the general assembly. A senior  
1 5 judge or retired senior judge shall be paid an annuity under  
1 6 the judicial retirement system in the manner provided in  
1 7 section 602.9109, but computed under this section in lieu of  
1 8 section 602.9107, as follows: The annuity paid to a senior  
1 9 judge or retired senior judge shall be an amount equal to  
1 10 three percent of the basic senior judge salary, multiplied by  
1 11 the judge's years of service prior to retirement as a judge of  
1 12 one or more of the courts included under this article, for  
1 13 which contributions were made to the system, except the  
1 14 annuity of the senior judge or retired senior judge shall not  
1 15 exceed fifty percent of the basic senior judge salary used in  
1 16 calculating the annuity or fifty percent of the basic annual  
1 17 salary which the judge is receiving at the time the judge  
1 18 becomes separated from service, whichever is greater.  
1 19 However, following the twelve-month period during which the  
1 20 senior judge or retired senior judge attains seventy-eight  
1 21 years of age, the annuity paid to the person shall be an  
1 22 amount equal to three percent of the basic senior judge salary  
1 23 cap, multiplied by the judge's years of service prior to  
1 24 retirement as a judge of one or more of the courts included  
1 25 under this article, for which contributions were made to the  
1 26 system, except that the annuity shall not exceed fifty percent  
1 27 of the basic senior judge salary cap. A senior judge or  
1 28 retired senior judge shall not receive benefits calculated  
1 29 using a basic senior judge salary established after the  
1 30 twelve-month period in which the senior judge or retired  
1 31 senior judge attains seventy-eight years of age. In addition,  
1 32 if a senior judge is under sixty-five years of age at the time  
1 33 the judge becomes a senior judge, the state shall pay the  
1 34 state's share of the senior judge's medical insurance premium  
1 35 until the judge attains age sixty-five.

2 1 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. The amendment to section  
2 2 602.9204, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect  
2 3 upon enactment and applies retroactively to July 1, 1994.

2 4 EXPLANATION

2 5 This bill provides that senior judges shall receive a  
2 6 salary as determined by the general assembly. The bill also  
2 7 provides that the maximum amount for a retirement annuity of a  
2 8 senior judge shall not exceed 50 percent of the basic senior  
2 9 judge salary used in calculating the annuity or 50 percent of  
2 10 the basic annual salary which the judge received at the time  
2 11 of separation from service, whichever is greater. This bill  
2 12 is effective upon enactment and retroactive to July 1, 1994.

2 13 LSB 2136HC 76

