

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current law governing statutory county courts addresses county courts at law in general and specific courts at law in different Texas counties. Unlike statutes governing some other counties, the statute that governs the salary of a court at law judge in Hidalgo County has no minimum amount of salary for a court at law judge in Hidalgo County.

H.B. 4760 clarifies language to establish a minimum annual salary a Hidalgo County court at law judge may be paid and authorizes the judge to be paid more than the minimum annual salary.

H.B. 4760 amends current law relating to the minimum salary that must be paid to county court at law judges in Hidalgo County.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 25.1102(c), Government Code, to require the judge of a county court at law to be paid a minimum annual salary, rather than an annual salary, that is not less than \$1,000 less than the total annual salary, including supplements, received by a district judge in the county. Authorizes the judge of a court at law to be paid more than the minimum annual salary that the judge is required to be paid under this subsection.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2009.