

Senate Bill 446

Sponsored by Senator DEVLIN, Representatives DAVIS, WILLIAMSON, Senators BOQUIST, WINTERS, PROZANSKI, KRUSE, Representatives OLSON, BARKER; Representative BUCKLEY (at the request of Chief Justice Thomas Balmer and the Oregon Circuit Court Judges Association) (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Provides for annual adjustment of judges' salaries based on Consumer Price Index.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to judges' salaries.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 292.**

5 **SECTION 2. Before July 1 of each calendar year, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court**
6 **shall determine if there is a percentage increase in the cost of living for the previous calen-**
7 **dar year, based on changes in the Portland-Salem, OR-WA Consumer Price Index for All**
8 **Urban Consumers for All Items, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United**
9 **States Department of Labor. If the Chief Justice determines that there is a percentage in-**
10 **crease in the cost of living for the previous calendar year, on or before July 1 the Chief**
11 **Justice shall adjust the salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals,**
12 **the circuit courts and the Oregon Tax Court by multiplying those salaries by the percentage**
13 **amount determined under this section. The adjusted salaries become effective on July 1 of**
14 **the year in which the adjustment is made.**

15 **SECTION 3. The first adjustment of judges' salaries under section 2 of this 2015 Act shall**
16 **be made on July 1, 2016.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.