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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SEPULVEDA -- (at request of the Unified Court System) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the judiciary law, the New York city civil court act, and the uniform city court act, in relation to increasing the salaries of judges

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 221 of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221. Salary of judges of the court of appeals. The annual salaries of the chief judge and associate judges of the court of appeals shall be as follows:

Chief Judge	[~~156,000~~] 271,000
Associate Judge	[~~151,200~~] 262,700

§ 2. Section 221-a of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-a. Salary of justices of the appellate divisions of supreme court. The annual salaries of the presiding justices and associate justices of the appellate divisions of the supreme court shall be as follows:

Presiding Justice	[~~147,600~~] 256,400
Associate Justice	[~~144,000~~] 250,100

§ 3. Section 221-b of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-b. Salary of justices of the supreme court. The annual salary of a justice of the supreme court shall be as follows:

Justice	[~~136,700~~] 237,300

§ 4. Section 221-bb of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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§ 221-bb. Additional compensation of justices of the supreme court; service in appellate term. A justice of the supreme court who shall be designated by the appellate division of the supreme court to serve in an appellate term in the manner provided in section eight of article six of the constitution shall receive, in addition to [~~his or her~~] **their** judicial salary as established by law, the sum of [~~three~~] **five** thousand **four hundred** dollars annually as compensation for [~~his or her~~] **their** services in appellate term. **The presiding justice shall receive, in addition to all other compensation, including for their services in the appellate term, the sum of five thousand two hundred dollars annually as compensation for their services as a presiding justice.**

§ 5. Section 221-c of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-c. Salary of judges of the court of claims. The annual salaries of the presiding judge and judges of the court of claims shall be as follows:

Presiding Judge	[~~144,000~~] **250,100**
Judge	[~~136,700~~] **237,300**

§ 6. Section 221-d of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-d. Salary of judges of the county court. The annual salary of each judge of a county court shall be as follows:

County	
Albany	[~~131,400~~] **228,200**
Allegany	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Broome	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Cattaraugus	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Cayuga	[~~122,700~~] **225,600**
Chautauqua	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Chemung	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Chenango	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Clinton	[~~121,200~~] **225,600**
Columbia	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Cortland	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Delaware	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Dutchess	[~~125,600~~] **225,600**
Erie	[~~125,600~~] **225,600**
Essex	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Franklin	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Fulton	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Genesee	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Greene	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Hamilton	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Herkimer	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Jefferson	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Lewis	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Livingston	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Madison	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Monroe	[~~125,600~~] **225,600**
Montgomery	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Nassau	[~~136,700~~] **237,300**
Niagara	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Oneida	[~~119,800~~] **225,600**
Onondaga	[~~125,600~~] **225,600**

Ontario	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Orange	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Orleans	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Oswego	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Otsego	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Putnam	[~~131,400~~]	228,200
Rensselaer	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Rockland	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
St. Lawrence	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Saratoga	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Schenectady	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Schoharie	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Schuyler	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Seneca	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Steuben	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Suffolk	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
Sullivan	[~~127,000~~]	225,600
Tioga	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Tompkins	[~~122,700~~]	225,600
Ulster	[~~131,400~~]	228,200
Warren	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Washington	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Wayne	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Westchester	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
Wyoming	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Yates	[~~110,800~~]	225,600

§ 7. Section 221-e of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-e. Salary of judges of the family court. The annual salary of each judge of a family court shall be as follows:

County		
Albany	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Broome	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Bronx	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
Chautauqua	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Chemung	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Dutchess	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Erie	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Fulton	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Genesee	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Herkimer	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Jefferson	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Kings	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
Monroe	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Montgomery	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Nassau	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
New York	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
Niagara	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Oneida	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Onondaga	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Orange	[~~125,600~~]	225,600
Oswego	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Queens	[~~136,700~~]	237,300
Rensselaer	[~~110,800~~]	225,600
Richmond	[~~136,700~~]	237,300

Rockland	[~~125,600~~] 225,600
St. Lawrence	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Saratoga	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Schenectady	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Suffolk	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Sullivan	[~~127,000~~] 225,600
Ulster	[~~127,000~~] 225,600
Warren	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Westchester	[~~136,700~~] 237,300

§ 8. Section 221-f of the judiciary law, as amended by chapter 290 of the laws of 2004, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-f. Salary of judges of the surrogate's court. The annual salary of each judge of a surrogate's court shall be as follows:

County	
Albany	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Broome	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Bronx	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Cayuga	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Chautauqua	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Clinton	[~~121,200~~] 225,600
Dutchess	[~~135,800~~] 235,900
Erie	[~~129,900~~] 225,700
Jefferson	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Kings	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Monroe	[~~135,800~~] 235,900
Montgomery	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Nassau	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
New York	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Oneida	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Onondaga	[~~135,800~~] 235,900
Ontario	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Orange	[~~125,600~~] 225,600
Oswego	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Queens	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Rensselaer	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Richmond	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Rockland	[~~125,600~~] 225,600
St. Lawrence	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Saratoga	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Schenectady	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Steuben	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Suffolk	[~~136,700~~] 237,300
Ulster	[~~119,800~~] 225,600
Westchester	[~~136,700~~] 237,300

§ 9. Section 221-g of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-g. Salary of judges of the civil court of the city of New York and the criminal court of the city of New York. The annual salaries of judges of the civil court of the city of New York and of the criminal court of the city of New York shall be as follows:

Judge of the Civil Court	[~~125,600~~] 220,800
Judge of the Criminal Court	[~~125,600~~] 220,800

§ 10. Section 221-h of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-h. Salary of judges of the district court. The annual salaries of the presidents of the boards of judges and judges of the district court in Nassau and Suffolk counties shall be as follows:

District Court in Nassau County	
President of the Board of Judges	[~~126,900~~] 220,800
Judge	[~~122,700~~] 220,800
District Court in Suffolk County	
President of the Board of Judges	[~~126,900~~] 220,800
Judge	[~~122,700~~] 220,800

§ 11. Section 221-i of the judiciary law, as amended by chapter 330 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

§ 221-i. Salary of judges of the city courts outside the city of New York. [~~Except as otherwise provided by chapter five hundred sixty-seven of the laws of two thousand ten, the~~] The annual salary of each judge of a city court outside the city of New York shall be as follows [~~(where this section provides different salaries for judicial positions on the same court having the same title, the greater salary shall be paid the person holding the position paid the greater salary on the day immediately preceding the day on which such salaries took effect)~~]:

City	Title	
Albany	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~] 220,800
Amsterdam	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Amsterdam	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Auburn	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Auburn	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Batavia	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Batavia	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Beacon	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Beacon	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Binghamton	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Buffalo	Chief Judge (FT)	[~~115,100~~] 220,800
Buffalo	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~] 220,800
Canandaigua	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Canandaigua	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Cohoes	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Corning	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Corning	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Cortland	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Cortland	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Dunkirk	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Dunkirk	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Elmira	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Fulton	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Fulton	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Geneva	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Geneva	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Glen Cove	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400

Glens Falls	City Court Judge (FT)		220,800
Glens Falls	City Court Judge (PT)		55,200
Gloversville	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Gloversville	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
[~~Glens Falls~~	~~City Court Judge (FT)~~		~~108,800~~
~~Glens Falls~~	~~City Court Judge~~		~~27,200~~]
Hornell	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Hornell	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Hudson	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Hudson	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Ithaca	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Jamestown	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Johnstown	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Johnstown	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Kingston	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Lackawanna	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Lackawanna	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Lockport	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Long Beach	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~118,300~~]	220,800
Little Falls	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Mechanicville	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Middletown	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Mount Vernon	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~118,300~~]	220,800
Mount Vernon	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Newburgh	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
New Rochelle	City Court Judge (FT)		220,800
Niagara Falls	Chief Judge (FT)	[~~115,100~~]	220,800
Niagara Falls	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~]	220,800
North Tonawanda	City Court Judge (FT)		220,800
North Tonawanda	City Court Judge (PT)		110,400
Norwich	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Norwich	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
[~~New Rochelle~~	~~City Court Judge (FT)~~		~~118,300~~
~~North Tonawanda~~	~~City Court Judge (FT)~~		~~108,800~~
~~North Tonawanda~~	~~City Court Judge~~		~~54,400~~]
Ogdensburg	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Ogdensburg	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Olean	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Olean	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Oneida	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Oneida	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Oneonta	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Oneonta	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Oswego	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Oswego	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Peekskill	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Peekskill	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
[~~Poughkeepsie~~	~~City Court Judge (FT)~~		~~108,800~~]
Plattsburgh	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~]	220,800
Plattsburgh	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Port Jervis	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Poughkeepsie	City Court Judge (FT)		220,800
Rensselaer	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~]	110,400
Rensselaer	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~]	55,200
Rochester	Chief Judge (FT)	[~~115,100~~]	220,800
Rochester	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~]	220,800

Rome	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~] 220,800
Rye	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Rye	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Salamanca	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Salamanca	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Saratoga Springs	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Schenectady	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Sherrill	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Syracuse	Chief Judge (FT)	[~~115,100~~] 220,800
Syracuse	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~] 220,800
Tonawanda	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Tonawanda	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
Troy	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~] 220,800
Troy	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~81,600~~] 165,600
Utica	Chief Judge (FT)	[~~115,100~~] 220,800
Utica	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~113,900~~] 220,800
Watertown	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~108,800~~] 220,800
Watertown	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~27,200~~] 55,200
Watervliet	City Court Judge (PT)	[~~54,400~~] 110,400
White Plains	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~116,800~~] 220,800
Yonkers	Chief Judge (FT)	[~~119,500~~] 220,800
Yonkers	City Court Judge (FT)	[~~118,300~~] 220,800

§ 12. Section 223 of the judiciary law, as added by chapter 630 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

§ 223. Compensation of deputy chief administrators of the courts and deputy or assistant administrative judges. (a) A judge who is designated the deputy chief administrator of the courts for the city of New York, and a judge who is designated the deputy chief administrator of the courts outside the city of New York shall each receive an annual salary equal to the annual salary paid to an associate justice of the appellate division of the supreme court.

(b) A judge who is designated a deputy or assistant administrative judge within the city of New York and a judge who is designated an administrative judge for a judicial district or county outside the city of New York shall receive, in addition to [~~his or her~~] **such judge's** judicial salary, the sum of [~~four~~] **eight** thousand [~~eight~~] **six** hundred dollars annually as compensation for [~~his or her~~] **such judge's** services as an administrative judge[~~; except that the presiding judge of an appellate term shall receive, in addition to all other compensation, the sum of three thousand dollars annually as compensation for his or her services as an administrative judge~~].

§ 13. Subdivision (f) of section 110 of the New York city civil court act, as amended by chapter 725 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

(f) The housing judges shall be appointed by the administrative judge from a list of persons selected annually as qualified by training, interest, experience, judicial temperament, ability to handle a caseload involving self-represented litigants and knowledge of federal, state and local housing laws and programs by the advisory council for the housing part. The list of persons who have been approved by such advisory council, whether or not appointed to such judicial position, shall be deemed public information and be published in the city record immediately after such list is submitted to the administrative judge. The annual salary of a housing judge shall be [~~one~~] **two** hundred [~~fifteen~~] **twenty** thousand [~~four~~] **eight** hundred dollars.

§ 14. Subdivision (d) of section 2104 of the uniform city court act, as amended by chapter 330 of the laws of 2020, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The number of judges of the city court in each city shall be as provided herein. Full-time judgeships are specifically so designated, all others are part-time:

Par.	Name of city
1	Albany, five full-time;
2	Amsterdam, one full-time and one part-time;
3	Auburn, one full-time and one part-time;
4	Batavia, one full-time and one part-time;
5	Beacon, one full-time and one part-time;
6	Binghamton, three full-time;
7	Buffalo, fourteen full-time;
8	Canandaigua, one full-time and one part-time;
9	Cohoes, two **part-time**;
10	Corning, one full-time and one part-time;
11	Cortland, one full-time and one part-time;
12	Dunkirk, one full-time and one part-time;
13	Elmira, two full-time;
14	Fulton, one full-time and one part-time;
15	Geneva, three **part-time**;
16	Glen Cove, two **part-time**;
17	Glens Falls, one full-time and one part-time;
18	Gloversville, one full-time and one part-time;
19	Hornell, two **part-time**;
20	Hudson, two **part-time**;
21	Ithaca, two full-time;
22	Jamestown, two full-time;
23	Johnstown, two **part-time**;
24	Kingston, two full-time;
25	Lackawanna, one full-time and one part-time;
26	Little Falls, two **part-time**;
27	Lockport, two full-time;
28	Long Beach, two full-time;
29	Mechanicville, two **part-time**;
30	Middletown, two full-time;
31	Mount Vernon, three full-time and one part-time;
32	Newburgh, three full-time;
33	New Rochelle, three full-time;
34	Niagara Falls, four full-time;
35	North Tonawanda, one full-time and one part-time;
36	Norwich, one full-time and one part-time;
37	Ogdensburg, one full-time and one part-time;
38	Olean, one full-time and one part-time;
39	Oneida, one full-time and one part-time;
40	Oneonta, two **part-time**;
41	Oswego, one full-time and one part-time;
42	Peekskill, one full-time and one part-time;
43	Plattsburgh, one full-time and one part-time;
44	Port Jervis, two **part-time**;
45	Poughkeepsie, two full-time;
46	Rensselaer, two **part-time**;
47	Rochester, ten full-time;
48	Rome, two full-time;
49	Rye, one full-time and one part-time;

50 Salamanca, two **part-time**;
51 Saratoga Springs, two full-time;
52 Schenectady, four full-time;
53 Sherrill, one **part-time**;
54 Syracuse, nine full-time;
55 Tonawanda, one full-time and one part-time;
56 Troy, two full-time and one part-time;
57 Utica, three full-time;
58 Watertown, one full-time and one part-time;
59 Watervliet, two **part-time**;
60 White Plains, four full-time;
61 Yonkers, seven full-time.

§ 15. Nothing in this act shall be construed to supplant or overrule any recommendation made by the commission operating pursuant to part E of chapter 60 of the laws of 2015. This act is intended to codify the recommendations made by such commission and to update the laws relevant to judicial salaries in advance of the commission making recommendations in 2028. In the event of a conflict between an existing recommendation of that commission and this act, such recommendation shall govern such conflict. Any conflict shall be construed narrowly to give effect to the recommendations of the commission, followed by the specific language of this act.

§ 16. This act shall take effect April 1, 2026.