GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 338 HOUSE BILL 752

AN ACT CONCERNING COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS AND SUPERVISORS OF COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 163-32 reads as rewritten:

"§ 163-32. Compensation of members of county boards of elections.

In full compensation of their services, members of the county board of elections (including the chairman) shall be paid by the county twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day-meeting for the time they are actually engaged in the discharge of their duties, together with reimbursement of expenditures necessary and incidental to the discharge of their duties; provided that members are not entitled to be compensated for more than one meeting held in any one 24-hour period. The per diem payment shall be prorated if a board member is not actually engaged in the discharge of his duties for a full day. For the purposes of this section, a full day consists of five hours. In its discretion, the board of county commissioners of any county may pay the chairman and members of the county board of elections compensation in addition to the per <u>diem-meeting</u> and expense allowance provided in this paragraph.

In all counties the board of elections shall pay its clerk, assistant clerks, and other employees such compensation as it shall fix within budget appropriations. Counties which adopt full-time and permanent registration shall have authority to pay supervisors of elections and special registration commissioners whatever compensation they may fix within budget appropriations."

Sec. 2. G.S. 163-35(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Compensation of Supervisors of Elections. – Compensation paid to supervisors of elections in all counties maintaining full-time registration (five days per week) shall be in the form of a salary in an amount recommended by the county board of elections and approved by the Board of County Commissioners and shall be commensurate with the salary paid to supervisors in counties similarly situated and similar in population and number of registered voters.

Beginning July 1, <u>19851991</u>, in any county operating under modified registration PLAN A, B, C, or D, the Board of County Commissioners shall compensate the supervisor of elections at a minimum rate of six dollars (<u>\$6.00</u>) <u>eight dollars (<u>\$8.00</u>) per hour for hours worked in attendance to his or her duties as prescribed by law, including rules and regulations adopted by the State Board of Elections. In addition, the county shall pay to the supervisor an hourly wage <u>equal of</u> at least to that required by federal law_eight dollars (<u>\$8.00</u>) per hour for all hours worked in excess of those prescribed in</u>

rules and regulations adopted by the State Board of Elections, when such additional hours have been approved by the county board of elections and such approval has been recorded in the official minutes of the county board of elections.

In addition to the compensation provided for herein, the supervisor of elections to the county board of elections shall be granted the same vacation leave, sick leave, and petty leave as granted to all other county employees. It shall also be the responsibility of the Board of County Commissioners to appropriate sufficient funds to compensate a replacement for the supervisor of elections when authorized leave is taken."

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1991.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 19th day of June, 1991.

James C. Gardner President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives