

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6276

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Providing compensation limits for district judges vacating office.

SPONSORS: Senators Snyder and Nelson

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LAW & JUSTICE

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

BACKGROUND:

Upon election, district court judges are entitled by statute to sick leave in the same manner as other county employees. This language has been used as the basis for claiming application of accrued sick leave toward a judge's retirement benefits. Because of the resulting uncertainty in the cost of retirement benefits to counties, it has been suggested that this language should be clarified.

SUMMARY:

When vacating office, a district judge may receive remuneration for unused leave at a rate equal to one day's pay for each full day of accrued leave. Unused sick leave is compensated at a rate of one day's pay for each four full days of accrued sick leave. The total remuneration for leave and sick leave may not exceed the equivalent of 30 days' compensation.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	46	0
House	96	0

EFFECTIVE: June 11, 1992