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ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1415

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By House Committee on Government Administration (originally sponsored by Representatives Chandler, Doumit, D. Schmidt, Murray, Radcliff, Cody, Johnson, Thompson, Sheldon, Cooper, Costa, Hatfield, McMorris, Sullivan and Kessler)

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1 AN ACT Relating to compensation for public utility district  
2 commissioners; and amending RCW 54.12.080.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 54.12.080 and 1985 c 330 s 4 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Commissioners of public utility districts are eligible to  
7 receive salaries as follows:

8 (a) Each public utility district commissioner of a district  
9 operating utility properties shall receive a salary of one thousand  
10 dollars per month during a calendar year (~~((which shall depend upon the~~  
11 ~~total gross revenue of the district from its distribution system and~~  
12 ~~its generating system, if any, for))~~ if the district received total  
13 gross revenue of over fifteen million dollars during the fiscal year  
14 ending June 30th ((prior to such)) before the calendar year(~~(, based~~  
15 ~~upon the following schedule:~~

16	REVENUE	SALARY
17	OVER \$15 million	\$500 per month

1       ~~\$2 to 15 million~~ ~~————— \$350 per month~~)). However, the  
2 board of commissioners of such a public utility district may pass a  
3 resolution increasing the rate of salary up to any specific dollar  
4 amount.

5       (b) Each public utility district commissioner of a district  
6 operating utility properties shall receive a salary of seven hundred  
7 dollars per month during a calendar year if the district received total  
8 gross revenue of from two million dollars to fifteen million dollars  
9 during the fiscal year ending June 30th before the calendar year.  
10 However, the board of commissioners of such a public utility district  
11 may pass a resolution increasing the rate of salary up to any specific  
12 dollar amount.

13       (c) Commissioners of other districts shall serve without salary  
14 ((unless the district provides by)). However, the board of  
15 commissioners of such a public utility district may pass a resolution  
16 providing ((for the payment thereof, which however shall not exceed two  
17 hundred dollars per month for each commissioner)) salaries of any  
18 specific dollar amount.

19       (2) In addition to salary, all districts may provide by resolution  
20 for the payment of per diem compensation to each commissioner at a rate  
21 not exceeding fifty dollars for each day or major part thereof devoted  
22 to the business of the district, and days upon which ((he)) the  
23 commissioner attends meetings of the commission of ((his)) the district  
24 or meetings attended by one or more commissioners of two or more  
25 districts called to consider business common to them, but such  
26 compensation paid during any one year to a commissioner shall not  
27 exceed seven thousand dollars. Per diem compensation shall not be paid  
28 for services of a ministerial or professional nature.

29       ((+2)) (3) Any commissioner may waive all or any portion of his or  
30 her compensation payable under this section as to any month or months  
31 during his or her term of office, by a written waiver filed with the  
32 district as provided in this section. The waiver, to be effective,  
33 must be filed any time after the commissioner's election and prior to  
34 the date on which the compensation would otherwise be paid. The waiver  
35 shall specify the month or period of months for which it is made.

36       ((+3)) (4) Each district commissioner shall be reimbursed for  
37 reasonable expenses actually incurred in connection with such business  
38 and meetings, including his subsistence and lodging and travel while  
39 away from his place of residence.

1        (~~(4)~~) (5) Any district providing group insurance for its  
2 employees, covering them, their immediate family and dependents, may  
3 provide insurance for its commissioner with the same coverage.

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