Counties of the ninth class: Auditor-clerk, sheriff, treasurer, three thousand one hundred dollars; superintendent of schools, one thousand eight hundred dollars; prosecuting attorney, one thousand four hundred dollars; members of the board of county commissioners, ten dollars per diem.

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CHAPTER 265.
[H. B. 123.]

SALARIES OF COURT REPORTERS.

An Act relating to court reporters; fixing their compensation; and amending section 2.32.210, RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Section 2.32.210, RCW, as derived from section 1, chapter 24, Laws of 1945, as amended by chapter 210, Laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows:

Each official reporter shall be paid compensation as follows:

In judicial districts comprised of Class A or Class AA counties, five thousand four hundred dollars per annum; in judicial districts comprised of first class counties, five thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars per annum; in judicial districts having a total population of seventy thousand and under one hundred twenty-five thousand, four thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum; in judicial districts having a total population of forty thousand and under seventy thousand, four thousand five hundred dollars per annum; in judicial districts having a total population of twenty-five thousand and under forty thousand, four thousand two hundred dollars per annum; which compensation shall be paid out of
the current expense fund of the county where court is held.

In judicial districts comprising more than one county the judge or judges thereof shall, on the first day of January of each year, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient, apportion the amount of the salary to be paid to the reporter by each county according and in proportion to the number of criminal and civil actions entered and commenced in superior court of the constituent counties in the preceding year. In addition to the salary above provided, in judicial districts comprising more than one county, the reporter shall receive his actual and necessary expense of transportation and living expenses when he goes on official business to a county of his judicial district other than the county in which he resides, from the time he leaves his place of residence until he returns thereto, said expenses to be paid by the county to which he travels. If one trip includes two or more counties, the expenses may be apportioned between the counties visited in proportion to the amount of time spent in each county on the trip. If an official reporter uses his own automobile for the purpose of such transportation, he shall be paid therefor at the same rate per mile as county officials are paid for use of their private automobiles. The sworn statement of the official reporter, when certified as correct by the judge presiding, shall be a sufficient voucher upon which the county auditor shall draw his warrant upon the treasurer of the county in favor of the official reporter.

The salaries of official court reporters shall be paid upon sworn statements, when certified as correct by the judge presiding, as state and county officers are paid.

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