increase the quality of such services to satisfy the minimum standards. The superintendent of public instruction shall report the results of the survey to the 1977 legislature.

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## CHAPTER 128

## [Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2395] COURT REPORTERS' SALARIES

AN ACT Relating to court reporters' salaries; and amending section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 1, chapter 18, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and RCW 2.32.210.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 1951 as last amended by section 1, chapter 18, Laws of 1972 ex. sess. and RCW 2.32.210 are each amended to read as follows:

Each official reporter shall be paid ((compensation as follows:

- (1) In judicial districts comprised of class AA counties, such salary as shall be fixed by the judges of said counties and approved by the board of county commissioners of said class AA counties;
- (2) In judicial districts having a total population of forty thousand or more, excluding Class AA counties, fourteen thousand dollars per annum;
- (3) In judicial districts having a total population of twenty-five thousand and under forty thousand, eight thousand four hundred dollars per annum;)) such compensation as shall be fixed, after recommendation by the judges of the judicial district involved, by the legislative authority of the county comprising said judicial district, or by the legislative authorities acting jointly where the judicial district is comprised of more than one county: PROVIDED, That in judicial districts having a total population of forty thousand or more, the salary of an official court reporter shall not be less than sixteen thousand five hundred dollars per annum: PROVIDED FURTHER, That in judicial districts having a total population of twenty-five thousand and under forty thousand, such salary shall not be less than eleven thousand one hundred dollars per annum.

Said compensation shall be paid out of the current expense fund of the county or counties where court is held.

In judicial districts comprising more than one county the ((judge or judges)) council or commissioners 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 expenses 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 expense to be paid by the county to which he travels. If one trip includes two or more counties, the expense 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 to 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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## CHAPTER 129

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2416] DEEDS OF TRUST

AN ACT Relating to deeds of trust; amending section 1, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24-.010; amending section 2, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24.020; amending section 3, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24.030; amending section 4, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 1, chapter 30, Laws of 1967 and RCW 61.24.040; amending section 9, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 as amended by section 4, chapter 30, Laws of 1967 and RCW 61.24.090; and amending section 13, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24.130.

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

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 74, Laws of 1965 and RCW 61.24.010 are each amended to read as follows:

- (1) The terms "record" and "recorded" as used in this chapter, shall include the appropriate registration proceedings, in the instance of registered land.
  - (2) The trustee of a deed of trust under this chapter shall be:
- (a) Any corporation or association authorized to engage in a trust business in this state; or
- (b) Any title insurance company authorized to insure title to real property under the laws of this state, or its agents; or
- (c) Any attorney who is an active member of the Washington state bar association at the time he is named trustee.
  - (d) Any agency of the United States government.
- (3) In the event of the death, incapacity or disability, or resignation of the trustee, the beneficiary may nominate in writing a successor trustee. Upon recording in the mortgage records of the county or counties in which the trust deed is recorded, of the appointment of a successor trustee, the successor trustee shall be vested with all powers of the original trustee.