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S 2031. STATE EMPLOYEES 7% PAY RAISE. Filed 5/27/08. APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO PROVIDE STATE EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CENTRAL OFFICE AND NONCERTIFIED PERSONNEL WITH A LEGISLATIVE PAY INCREASE OF SEVEN PERCENT.

Amends GS 147-11(a) to increase the Governor's salary from \$135,854 to \$145,364. Amends section 28.1(b) of SL 2007-323, to increase the members' salaries of the Council of State from \$119,901 to \$128,294. Amends section 28.2 of SL 2007-323 to increase non-elected state department heads' salaries from \$117,142 to \$125,342.

Amends section 28.3 (executive branch officials) and section 28.4 (judicial department employees) to increase salaries by 7%, including increasing by that percentage the minimum and maximum salaries for assistant district attorneys and assistant public defenders.

Amends statutes in GS Chapter 7A to assign a 7% salary increase for superior court clerks, assistant and deputy court clerks, and magistrates.

Amends statutes in GS Chapter 120 to assign a 7% salary increase for principal clerks, sergeant-at-arms, and reading clerks. Provides for a 7% salary increase for non-elected employees of the General Assembly.

Amends section 28.11 of SL 2007-323 by requiring the Director of the Budget to transfer funds to the Community Colleges System Office, from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, to provide a 7% salary increase for all state-supported community college employees.

Amends section 28.12 of SL 2007-323 by requiring the Director of the Budget to transfer funds to the UNC Board of Governors, from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, to provide a 7% salary increase for all state-supported, State Personnel Act (EPA) exempt, UNC employees and teaching employees at the NC School of Science and Math.

Amends sections 28.14 and 28.15 of SL 2007-323 to assign a 7% salary increase to most state employees and state-supported personnel.

Provides for monthly salary ranges for superintendents and school administrators, as well as longevity pay under the EPA. Allows for a \$126 per month salary supplement for certification based on six-year degrees and \$253 per month salary supplement for certification based on doctoral degrees achieved by superintendents and school administrators. Prohibits the Board of Education from allowing local school administrative units from transferring other state funds for these salaries. Allows for a 7% salary increase for personnel paid from the Central Office Allotment and for noncertified public school employees.

Appropriates \$501,792,529 for 2008-09 from the General Fund to the Reserve Compensation Increases to implement legislative salary increases.

Appropriates \$37,576,791 for 2008-09 from the Highway Fund to the Reserve for Compensation Increases to implement legislative salary increases.

Authorizes the Director of the Budget to transfer necessary funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases to the Board of Education to provide salary increases, including retirement and social security contributions, for public school central office and non-certified personnel.

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