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Short Title:	State Employees 7% Pay Raise.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Dorsett, Berger of Franklin; Atwater, Boseman, Cowell Jenkins, Kinnaird, Malone, McKissick, Nesbitt, Queen, Shaw, and	
Referred to:	Appropriations/Base Budget.	

May 28, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO PROVIDE STATE EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CENTRAL OFFICE AND NONCERTIFIED PERSONNEL

WITH A LEGISLATIVE PAY INCREASE OF SEVEN PERCENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL OF STATE/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.1.(a) Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 147-11(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The salary of the Governor shall be one hundred thirty-five thousand eight hundred fifty four dollars (\$135,854) one hundred forty five thousand three hundred sixty-four dollars (\$145,364) annually, payable monthly."

SECTION 1.1.(b) Section 28.1(b) of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 28.1.(b)** Effective July 1, 2007, July 1, 2008, the annual salaries for the members of the Council of State, payable monthly, for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years are:

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16	Council of State	Annual Salary
17	Lieutenant Governor	\$119,901 <u>\$128,294</u>
18	Attorney General	119,901 <u>128,294</u>
19	Secretary of State	119,901 <u>128,294</u>
20	State Treasurer	119,901 <u>128,294</u>
21	State Auditor	119,901 <u>128,294</u>
22	Superintendent of Public Instruction	<u>119,901</u> 128,294
23	Agriculture Commissioner	119,901 <u>128,294</u>
24	Insurance Commissioner	119,901 <u>128,294</u>
25	Labor Commissioner	119,901 <u>128,294</u> "

NONELECTED DEPARTMENT HEAD/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.2. Section 28.2 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 28.2.** In accordance with G.S. 143B-9, the maximum annual salaries, payable monthly, for the nonelected heads of the principal State departments for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years year are:

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5	Nonelected Department Heads	Annual Salary
6	Secretary of Administration	\$117,142 \$125,342
7	Secretary of Correction	117,142 125,342
8	Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety	117,142 125,342
9	Secretary of Cultural Resources	117,142 125,342
10	Secretary of Commerce	117,142 125,342
11	Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources	117,142 125,342
12	Secretary of Health and Human Services	117,142 125,342
13	Secretary of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention	117,142 125,342
14	Secretary of Revenue	117,142 125,342
15	Secretary of Transportation	117,142 <u>125,342</u> "

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CERTAIN EXECUTIVE BRANCH OFFICIALS/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.3 Section 28.3 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 28.3.** The annual salaries, payable monthly, for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years-year for the following executive branch officials are:

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22	Executive Branch Officials	Annual Salary
23	Chairman, Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission	\$106,621 <u>\$114,084</u>
24	State Controller	149,216 159,661
25	Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	106,621 <u>114,084</u>
26	Commissioner of Banks	119,901 128,294
27	Chairman, Employment Security Commission	133,161
28	State Personnel Director	117,142 125,342
29	Chairman, Parole Commission	97,358 <u>104,173</u>
30	Members of the Parole Commission	<u>44,942</u> <u>48,088</u>
31	Chairman, Utilities Commission	133,531 142,878
32	Members of the Utilities Commission	119,901 128,294
33	Executive Director, Agency for Public Telecommunications	89,884 96,176
34	Director, Museum of Art	109,252 116,900
35	Executive Director, North Carolina Agricultural	
36	Finance Authority	103,781 111,046
37	State Chief Information Officer	149,126 159,565"

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JUDICIAL BRANCH OFFICIALS/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.4. Section 28.4 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 28.4.(a)** The annual salaries, payable monthly, for specified judicial branch officials for the 2007 2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal yearsyear are:

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Judicial Branch Officials

Annual Salary

1	Chief Justice, Supreme Court	\$137,160 \$146,761
2	Associate Justice, Supreme Court	133,576 <u>142,926</u>
3	Chief Judge, Court of Appeals	130,236 <u>139,353</u>
4	Judge, Court of Appeals	128,011 <u>136,972</u>
5	Judge, Senior Regular Resident Superior Court	124,532 <u>133,249</u>
6	Judge, Superior Court	121,053 <u>129,527</u>
7	Chief Judge, District Court	109,923 117,618
8	Judge, District Court	106,445 <u>113,896</u>
9	District Attorney	116,112 <u>124,240</u>
10	Administrative Officer of the Courts	123,346 <u>131,980</u>
11	Assistant Administrative Officer of the Courts	112,665 <u>120,552</u>
12	Public Defender	116,112 <u>124,240</u> "

"SECTION 28.4.(b) The district attorney or public defender of a judicial district, with the approval of the Administrative Officer of the Courts or the Commission on Indigent Defense Services, respectively, shall set the salaries of assistant district attorneys or assistant public defenders, respectively, in that district such that the average salaries of assistant district attorneys or assistant public defenders in that district do not exceed sixty nine thousand forty seven dollars (\$69,047), seventy-three thousand eight hundred eighty dollars (\$73,880), and the minimum salary of any assistant district attorney or assistant public defender is at least thirty six thousand eighty two dollars (\$36,082), thirty-eight thousand six hundred eight dollars (\$38,608) effective July 1, 2007. July 1, 2008.

"SECTION 28.4.(c) Effective July 1, 2007, the annual salaries of permanent, full-time employees of the Judicial Department whose salaries are not itemized in this act shall be increased by four percent (4.0%). Effective July 1, 2008, the annual salaries of permanent full-time employees of the Judicial Department whose salaries are not itemized in this act shall be increased by seven percent (7.0%).

"SECTION 28.4.(d) Effective July 1, 2007, the annual salaries of permanent, part-time employees of the Judicial Department whose salaries are not itemized in this act shall be increased by four percent (4.0%). Effective July 1, 2008, the annual salaries of permanent, part-time employees of the Judicial Department whose salaries are not itemized in this act shall be increased by seven percent (7.0%)."

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.5. Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 7A-101(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The clerk of superior court is a full-time employee of the State and shall receive an annual salary, payable in equal monthly installments, based on the population of the county as determined in subsection (a1) of this section, according to the following schedule:

41	Population	Annual Salary
42	Less than 100,000	\$ 80,196 <u>\$85,810</u>
43	100,000 to 149,999	89,993 <u>96,293</u>
44	150,000 to 249,999	99,792 106,777

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Annual Salary

When a county changes from one population group to another, the salary of the clerk shall be changed, on July 1 of the fiscal year for which the change is reported, to the salary appropriate for the new population group, except that the salary of an incumbent clerk shall not be decreased by any change in population group during his continuance in office."

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ASSISTANT AND DEPUTY CLERKS OF COURT/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.6. Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 7A-102(c1) reads as rewritten:

"(c1) A full-time assistant clerk or a full-time deputy clerk, and up to one full-time deputy clerk serving as head bookkeeper per county, shall be paid an annual salary subject to the following minimum and maximum rates: Assistant Clerks and

14	Head Bookkeeper	
15	Minimum	\$31,122 \$33,301
16	Maximum	53,301 <u>57,032</u>
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18	Deputy Clerks	Annual Salary
19	Minimum	\$26,788 <u>\$28,663</u>
20	Maximum	41,456. 44,358."

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MAGISTRATES' SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.7.(a) Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 7A-171.1(a)(1) reads as rewritten:

- "(a) The Administrative Officer of the Courts, after consultation with the chief district judge and pursuant to the following provisions, shall set an annual salary for each magistrate.
 - (1) A full-time magistrate shall be paid the annual salary indicated in the table set out in this subdivision. A full-time magistrate is a magistrate who is assigned to work an average of not less than 40 hours a week during the term of office. The Administrative Officer of the Courts shall designate whether a magistrate is full-time. Initial appointment shall be at the entry rate. A magistrate's salary shall increase to the next step every two years on the anniversary of the date the magistrate was originally appointed for increases to Steps 1 through 3, and every four years on the anniversary of the date the magistrate was originally appointed for increases to Steps 4 through 6.

38 Table of Salaries of Full-Time Magistrates

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39	Step Level	Annual Salary
40	Entry Rate	\$31,533 <u>\$33,740</u>
41	Step 1	34,425 <u>36,835</u>
42	Step 2	37,571 <u>40,201</u>
43	Step 3	<u>41,006</u> <u>43,876</u>
44	Step 4	4 4,768 47,902

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2	Step 6	53,760 . <u>57,523.</u> "

 SECTION 1.7.(b) Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 7A-171.1(a1)(1) reads as rewritten:

- "(a1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, the following salary provisions apply to individuals who were serving as magistrates on June 30, 1994:
 - (1) The salaries of magistrates who on June 30, 1994, were paid at a salary level of less than five years of service under the table in effect that date shall be as follows:

Less than 1 year of service	\$25,428 <u>\$27,208</u>
1 or more but less than 3 years of service	26,595 28,457
3 or more but less than 5 years of service	28,944. 30,970.

Upon completion of five years of service, those magistrates shall receive the salary set as the Entry Rate in the table in subsection (a)."

GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRINCIPAL CLERKS/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.8. Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 120-37(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) The principal clerks shall be full-time officers. Each principal clerk shall be entitled to other benefits available to permanent legislative employees and shall be paid an annual salary of one hundred one thousand two hundred ninety eight dollars (\$101,298)one hundred eight thousand three hundred eighty-nine dollars (\$108,389) payable monthly. Each principal clerk shall also receive such additional compensation as approved by the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, respectively, for additional employment duties beyond those provided by the rules of their House. The Legislative Services Commission shall review the salary of the principal clerks prior to submission of the proposed operating budget of the General Assembly to the Governor and shall make appropriate recommendations for changes in those salaries. Any changes enacted by the General Assembly shall be by amendment to this paragraph."

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS AND READING CLERKS/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.9. Effective July 1, 2008, G.S. 120-37(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) The sergeant-at-arms and the reading clerk in each house shall be paid a salary of three hundred fifty nine dollars (\$359.00)three hundred eighty-four dollars (\$384.00) per week plus subsistence at the same daily rate provided for members of the General Assembly, plus mileage at the rate provided for members of the General Assembly for one round trip only from their homes to Raleigh and return. The sergeants-at-arms shall serve during sessions of the General Assembly and at such time prior to the convening of, and subsequent to adjournment or recess of, sessions as may be authorized by the Legislative Services Commission. The reading clerks shall serve during sessions only."

LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.10. Effective July 1, 2008, the Legislative Services Officer shall increase the salaries of nonelected employees of the General Assembly in effect for fiscal year 2007-2008 by seven percent (7.0%). Nothing in this act limits any of the provisions of G.S. 120-32.

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COMMUNITY COLLEGES PERSONNEL/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.11. Section 28.11 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 28.11.(a) The For the 2007-2008 fiscal year, the Director of the Budget shall transfer from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, funds to the North Carolina Community Colleges System Office necessary to provide an annual salary increase of four percent (4.0%) including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, commencing July 1, 2007, for all community college employees supported by State funds.

"SECTION 28.11.(a1) The Director of the Budget shall transfer from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for the 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds to the North Carolina Community Colleges System Office necessary to provide an annual salary increase of seven percent (7.0%) including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, commencing July 1, 2008, for all community college employees supported by State funds.

"SECTION 28.11.(b) The Director of the Budget shall transfer from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, funds to the North Carolina Community Colleges System Office necessary to provide an additional annual salary increase of one percent (1.0%) for Community College faculty and professional staff, including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, supported by State funds."

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM/EPA SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.12 Effective July 1, 2008, Section 28.12 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 28.12.(a) Effective July 1, 2007, the Director of the Budget shall transfer to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina sufficient funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, to provide to employees of The University of North Carolina, other than teachers of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, whose salaries are supported by State funds and who are exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) an annual salary increase of five percent (5%) for faculty. The percentage annual salary increase of five percent (5%) authorized by this section shall be made on an aggregated average basis, according to the rules adopted by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and may not be used for any purpose other than for salary increases and necessary employer contributions provided by this section. The

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Board of Governors may use a portion of the annual salary increase provided by this section to improve competitive national peer rankings for faculty.

"SECTION 28.12.(a1) Effective July 1, 2008, the Director of the Budget shall transfer to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina sufficient funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal year 2008-2009, including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, to provide to employees of The University of North Carolina, other than teachers of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, whose salaries are supported by State funds and who are exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) an annual salary increase of seven percent (7%) for faculty. The percentage annual salary increase of seven percent (7%) authorized by this section shall be made on an aggregated average basis, according to the rules adopted by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and may not be used for any purpose other than for salary increases and necessary employer contributions provided by this section. The Board of Governors may use a portion of the annual salary increase provided by this section to improve competitive national peer rankings for faculty.

"SECTION 28.12.(b) Effective July 1, 2007, the Director of the Budget shall transfer to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina sufficient funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, to provide to employees of The University of North Carolina, other than teachers of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, whose salaries are supported by State funds and who are exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) an annual salary increase of four percent (4.0%) for nonfaculty. The percentage annual salary increase of four percent (4.0%) authorized by this section shall be made on an aggregated average basis, according to the rules adopted by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and may not be used for any purpose other than for salary increases and necessary employer contributions provided by this section.

"SECTION 28.12.(b1) Effective July 1, 2008, the Director of the Budget shall transfer to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina sufficient funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal year 2008-2009, including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, to provide to employees of The University of North Carolina, other than teachers of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, whose salaries are supported by State funds and who are exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) an annual salary increase of seven percent (7.0%) for nonfaculty.

"SECTION 28.12.(c) The Director of the Budget shall transfer to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina sufficient funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, to provide an average annual salary increase of five percent (5%) but at least an annual increase of one thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$1,240), including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, commencing July 1, 2007, for all teaching employees of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics,

supported by State funds and whose salaries are exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA). These funds shall be allocated to individuals according to the rules adopted by the Board of Trustees of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics and may not be used for any purpose other than for salary increases and necessary employer contributions provided by this section.

"SECTION 28.12.(c1) The Director of the Budget shall transfer to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina sufficient funds from the Reserve for Compensation Increases, created in this act for fiscal year 2008-2009, to provide an average annual salary increase of seven percent (7%), commencing July 1, 2008, for all teaching employees of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics, supported by State funds and whose salaries are exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA). These funds shall be allocated to individuals according to the rules adopted by the Board of Trustees of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics and may not be used for any purpose other than for salary increases and necessary employer contributions provided by this section."

MOST STATE EMPLOYEES/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.13. Section 28.14 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 28.14.(a) The salaries in effect June 30, 2007, of all permanent full-time State employees whose salaries are set in accordance with the State Personnel Act, and who are paid from the General Fund or the Highway Fund, shall be increased, effective July 1, 2007, by four percent (4%). Effective July 1, 2008, the salaries in effect June 30, 2008, of all permanent, full-time State employees whose salaries are set in accordance with the State Personnel Act, and who are paid from the General Fund or the Highway Fund, shall be increased by seven percent (7%).

"SECTION 28.14.(b) Except as otherwise provided in this act, the fiscal year 2007-2008 salaries for permanent full-time State officials and persons in exempt positions that are recommended by the Governor and set by the General Assembly shall be increased by four percent (4%), effective July 1, 2007. Effective July 1, 2008, the fiscal year 2008-2009 salaries for permanent, full-time State officials and persons in exempt positions that are recommended by the Governor and set by the General Assembly shall be increased by seven percent (7%).

"SECTION 28.14.(c) The salaries in effect for fiscal year 2007-2008 for all permanent part-time State employees shall be increased, effective July 1, 2007, by the four percent (4%) salary increase provided for permanent full-time employees covered under this part. Effective July 1, 2008, the salaries of all permanent part-time State employees shall be increased by the seven percent (7%) salary increase provided for permanent, full-time employees covered under this part.

"SECTION 28.14.(d) The Director of the Budget may allocate out of special operating funds or from other sources of the employing agency, except tax revenues, sufficient funds to allow a salary increase, effective July 1, 2007, salary increases in accordance with subsection (a), (b), or (c) of this section including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions, for the permanent full-time and

part-time employees of the agency, provided the employing agency elects to make available the necessary funds.

"SECTION 28.14.(e) Within For the 2007-2008 fiscal year, within regular State Budget Act procedures as limited by this act, all State agencies and departments may increase on an equitable basis the rate of pay of temporary and permanent hourly State employees, subject to availability of funds in the particular agency or department, by pro rata amounts of the four percent (4%) salary increase provided for permanent full-time employees covered by the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, commencing July 1, 2007. For the 2008-2009 fiscal year, within regular State Budget Act procedures as limited by this act, all State agencies and departments may increase on an equitable basis the rate of pay of temporary and permanent hourly State employees, subject to availability of funds in the particular agency or department, by pro rata amounts of the seven percent (7%) salary increase provided for permanent, full-time employees covered by the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, commencing July 1, 2008."

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ALL STATE-SUPPORTED PERSONNEL/SALARY INCREASES

SECTION 1.14 Section 28.15 of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 28.15.(a) Salaries and related benefits for positions that are funded partially from the General Fund or Highway Fund and partially from sources other than the General Fund or Highway Fund shall be increased from the General Fund or Highway Fund appropriation only to the extent of the proportionate part of the salaries paid from the General Fund or Highway Fund.

"SECTION 28.15.(b) The granting of the salary increases under this act does not affect the status of eligibility for salary increments for which employees may be eligible unless otherwise required by this act.

"SECTION 28.15.(c) The <u>fiscal year 2007-2008</u> salary increases provided in this act are to be effective July 1, 2007, do not apply to persons separated from State service due to resignation, dismissal, reduction in force, death, or retirement, or whose last workday is prior to July 1, 2007. The fiscal year 2008-2009 salary increases provided in this act are to be effective July 1, 2008, do not apply to persons separated from State service due to resignation, dismissal, reduction in force, death, or retirement, or whose last workday is prior to July 1, 2008.

Payroll checks issued to employees after July 1, 2007, which represent payment of services provided prior to July 1, 2007, these increases shall not be eligible for salary increases provided for in this act. This subsection shall apply to all employees, subject to or exempt from the State Personnel Act, paid from State funds, including public schools, community colleges, and The University of North Carolina.

"SECTION 28.15.(d) The Director of the Budget shall transfer from the Reserve for Compensation Increases in this act for fiscal year 2007-2008 and fiscal year 2008-2009 all funds necessary for the salary increases provided by this act, including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions.

"SECTION 28.15.(e) Nothing in this act authorizes the transfer of funds between the General Fund and the Highway Fund for salary increases.

"SECTION 28.15.(f) Permanent For the 2007-2008 fiscal year, permanent full-time employees who work a nine-, ten-, or eleven-month work year schedule shall receive the four percent (4.0%) annual increase provided by this act. For the 2008-2009 fiscal year, permanent, full-time employees who work a nine-, ten-, or eleven-month work year schedule shall receive the seven percent (7.0%) annual increase provided by this act."

CENTRAL OFFICE SALARIES

SECTION 1.15.(a) The monthly salary ranges that follow apply to assistant superintendents, associate superintendents, directors/coordinators, supervisors, and finance officers for the 2008-2009 fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2008.

School Administrator I	\$3,442	\$6,464
School Administrator II	\$3,653	\$6,855
School Administrator III	\$3,878	\$7,273
School Administrator IV	\$4,034	\$7,563
School Administrator V	\$4,197	\$7,869
School Administrator VI	\$4,452	\$8,345
School Administrator VII	\$4,631	\$8,681

The local board of education shall determine the appropriate category and placement for each assistant superintendent, associate superintendent, director/coordinator, supervisor, or finance officer within the salary ranges and within funds appropriated by the General Assembly for central office administrators and superintendents. The category in which an employee is placed shall be included in the contract of any employee.

SECTION 1.15.(b) The monthly salary ranges that follow apply to public school superintendents for the 2008-2009 fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2008.

Superintendent I	\$4,916	\$9,208
Superintendent II	\$5,218	\$9,765
Superintendent III	\$5,536	\$10,360
Superintendent IV	\$5,875	\$10,989
Superintendent V	\$6,236	\$11,659

The local board of education shall determine the appropriate category and placement for the superintendent based on the average daily membership of the local school administrative unit and within funds appropriated by the General Assembly for central office administrators and superintendents.

SECTION 1.15.(c) Longevity pay for superintendents, assistant superintendents, associate superintendents, directors/coordinators, supervisors, and finance officers shall be as provided for State employees under the State Personnel Act.

SECTION 1.15.(d) Superintendents, assistant superintendents, associate superintendents, directors/coordinators, supervisors, and finance officers with certification based on academic preparation at the six-year degree level shall receive a salary supplement of one hundred twenty-six dollars (\$126.00) per month in addition to the compensation provided pursuant to this section. Superintendents, assistant superintendents, associate superintendents, directors/coordinators, supervisors, and

finance officers with certification based on academic preparation at the doctoral degree level shall receive a salary supplement of two hundred fifty-three dollars (\$253.00) per month in addition to the compensation provided for under this section.

SECTION 1.15.(e) The State Board of Education shall not permit local school administrative units to transfer State funds from other funding categories for salaries for public school central office administrators.

SECTION 1.15.(f) The annual salary increase for all permanent, full-time personnel paid from the Central Office Allotment shall be seven percent (7%), commencing July 1, 2008. The State Board of Education shall allocate these funds to local school administrative units. The local boards of education shall establish guidelines for providing salary increases to these personnel.

NONCERTIFIED PERSONNEL SALARIES

SECTION 1.16.(a) The annual salary increase for permanent, full-time noncertified public school employees whose salaries are supported from the State's General Fund shall be seven percent (7%) commencing July 1, 2008.

SECTION 1.16.(b) Local boards of education shall increase the rates of pay for such employees who were employed for all or part of fiscal year 2007-2008 and who continue their employment for fiscal year 2008-2009 by providing an annual salary increase for employees of seven percent (7%).

For part-time employees, the pay increase shall be pro rata based on the number of hours worked.

SECTION 1.16.(c) The State Board of Education may adopt salary ranges for noncertified personnel to support increases of seven percent (7%) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

APPROPRIATIONS/RESERVE FOR COMPENSATION INCREASES

SECTION 2.1.(a) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Reserve for Compensation Increases the sum of five hundred one million seven hundred ninety-two thousand five hundred twenty-nine dollars (\$501,792,529) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to implement the legislative increases authorized by this act.

SECTION 2.1.(b) There is appropriated from the Highway Fund to the Reserve for Compensation Increases the sum of thirty-seven million five hundred seventy-six thousand seven hundred ninety-one dollars (\$37,576,791) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to implement legislative pay increases authorized by this act.

SECTION 2.1.(c) The Director of the Budget shall transfer to the State Board of Education from the Reserve for Compensation Increases for fiscal year 2008-2009 funds necessary to provide an average annual salary increase, effective July 1, 2008, of seven percent (7%), including funds for the employer's retirement and social security contributions for public school central office and noncertified personnel.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 3.1. This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.