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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Appropriations
(Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government)

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Office of the Judges of
Compensation Claims; amending s. 440.45, F.S.;
specifying the salaries of full-time judges of
compensation claims and the Deputy Chief Judge;
providing an appropriation; providing an effective
date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (f) is added to subsection (2) of
section 440.45, Florida Statutes, to read:

440.45 Office of the Judges of Compensation Claims.—

(2)

(f) All full-time judges of compensation claims shall
receive a salary equal to that of a county court judge. The
Deputy Chief Judge shall receive a salary of \$1,000 more per
year than the salary paid to a full-time judge of compensation
claims.

Section 2. For the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the sum of
\$1,159,440 in recurring funds from the Operating Trust Fund is
appropriated to the Division of Administrative Hearings and
associated salary rate of 870,392 is authorized for the purpose
of implementing this act.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.