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No. SB 2115

**THE GOVERNOR**  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.,

May 23, 20 14

TIME SIGNED: 5:07pm

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE  
AND MEMBERS OF THE OKLAHOMA SENATE  
SECOND SESSION OF THE  
FIFTY FOURTH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 2115:

This is to advise you that on this date, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 11 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution to approve or object to legislation presented to me, I have VETOED Senate Bill 2115.

Currently, members of the Pardon and Parole Board receive an annual salary of \$22,800.00, while the Chairman of the Board receives an annual salary of \$24,800.00. For board members, the annual salary is allotted into a \$1,500.00 payment for each regular monthly Board meeting, and \$400.00 for preparation of each meeting. The Chairman of the Board receives \$1,667.00 for each meeting and \$400.00 for the preparation of each meeting.

Senate Bill 2115 allows for additional compensation for board members in the amount of \$35.00 per hour up to an additional 56 hours for "work performed with regards to the increased workload for nonviolent parole processing." This could result in a monthly salary increase of \$1,960.00 per board member. The additional 56 hours may be billed for preparation for Board meetings, performing duties during regular Board meetings, and performing other duties as necessary to carry out the mission of the Board. Further, the Bill does not provide reporting requirements of members to claim the additional compensation.

While I appreciate the dedication and hard work of the members of the Pardon and Parole Board, an over 100% increase in members' salary is not responsible in a year where most State agencies are receiving significant budget reductions. This salary increase was not contemplated in budget negotiations with the legislature and is not funded. Therefore, I have vetoed Senate Bill 2115.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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