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HOUSE BILL 61

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; CREATING AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE
POSITION IN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 34-6-16 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971,
Chapter 52, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

"34-6-16. JUDGES--THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.--There
shall be [~~six~~] seven district judges in the thirteenth judicial
district. The judges of divisions one, three and six shall
reside and maintain [~~their~~] principal offices in Valencia
county. The judges of divisions two, [~~and~~] five and seven
shall reside and maintain [~~their~~] principal offices in Sandoval
county. The judge of division four shall reside and maintain
[~~his~~] principal offices in Cibola county."

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Section 2. TEMPORARY PROVISION--DISTRICT JUDGE
APPOINTMENT.--The additional district judge provided for in
this act shall be filled by appointment by the governor
pursuant to the provisions of Article 6 of the constitution of
New Mexico and shall begin serving on July 1, 2006.

Section 3. APPROPRIATION.--Three hundred thirteen
thousand dollars (\$313,000) is appropriated from the general
fund to the thirteenth judicial district for expenditure in
fiscal year 2007 for salaries and benefits, supplies and
equipment for one additional district judge and three support
staff. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the
end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.