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HOUSE BILL 730

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

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MAGISTRATES; ASSIGNING PRECINCTS TO CURRY COUNTY  
MAGISTRATE DISTRICT DIVISIONS; REQUIRING ELECTION BY MAGISTRATE  
DIVISIONS IN CURRY COUNTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. Section 35-1-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1968,  
Chapter 62, Section 10) is amended to read:

"35-1-8. MAGISTRATE COURT--CURRY DISTRICT.--

A. There shall be two ~~[magistrates]~~ magistrate  
divisions in Curry magistrate district, each having its own  
magistrate. Both divisions ~~[operating]~~ shall operate as a  
single court in Clovis.

B. Magistrate judges shall not be elected at-large  
from the district, but shall be elected by the voters of the  
division for which the magistrate sits. Magistrate judges may

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1 reside anywhere within the magistrate district and shall have  
2 districtwide jurisdiction. The composition of the divisions  
3 for election purposes is:

4 (1) division 1 is composed of Curry county  
5 precincts 5 through 9, 11, 12, 20 through 22 and 25 through 30;  
6 and

7 (2) division 2 is composed of Curry county  
8 precincts 1 through 4, 10, 13 through 19, 23, 24 and 31 through  
9 37."

10 Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public  
11 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.