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HOUSE BILL 130

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2004

INTRODUCED BY
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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978; 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] a principal office 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.

Section 3. APPROPRIATION. -- Three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the thirteenth judicial district for expenditure in fiscal year 2005 for salaries and benefits and furniture, supplies and equipment for one additional district judge and support staff. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2005 shall revert to the general fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE. -- The effective date of the Section 4. provisions of this act is July 1, 2004.

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