HOUSE BILL 124

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

INTRODUCED BY

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ENDORSED BY THE COURTS, CORRECTIONS AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; CREATING ADDITIONAL JUDGESHIPS IN THE FIFTH AND THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICTS; HJC➡**PROVIDING FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS;**⬅HJC HAFC➡~~MAKING APPROPRIATIONS~~⬅HAFC.

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

    SECTION 1. Section 34-6-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1968, Chapter 69, Section 11, as amended) is amended to read:

    "34-6-8. JUDGES--FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.--There shall be

[eleven] twelve district judges in the fifth judicial

district."

SECTION 2. 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 [eight] nine district judges in the thirteenth

judicial district."

HJC➧SECTION 3. TEMPORARY PROVISION--DISTRICT JUDGES--

APPOINTMENTS.--The additional district judgeships provided for

in this act shall be filled by appointment of the governor

pursuant to Article 6, Section 36 of the constitution of New

Mexico.◄HJC

Hfll➧HAFC➧SECTION HJC➧3.◄HJC HJC➧4.◄HJC APPROPRIATIONS-

-FIFTH AND THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.--

A. Three hundred six thousand eight hundred dollars

($306,800) is appropriated from the general fund to the fifth

judicial district court for expenditure in fiscal year 2023 to

pay the costs associated with a new judgeship, including

salaries and benefits for the judge and staff, furniture,

equipment and supplies. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance

remaining at the end of fiscal year 2023 shall revert to the

general fund.

B. Three hundred six thousand eight hundred dollars

($306,800) is appropriated from the general fund to the

thirteenth judicial district court for expenditure in fiscal

~~year 2023 to pay the costs associated with a new judgeship,~~

~~including salaries and benefits for the judge and staff,~~

~~furniture, equipment and supplies. Any unexpended or~~

~~unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2023~~

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~~general fund.~~

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HJC→**SECTION** Hfll→~~**5.**~~←Hfll Hfll→**4.**←Hfll **EFFECTIVE**

DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July

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