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SENATE BILL 449

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

INTRODUCED BY

Pete Campos

AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL POSITIONS ON THE
JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA
1978.

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

Section 1. Section 34-10-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1968,
Chapter 48, Section 1) is amended to read:

"34-10-1. JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION-- SELECTION--
TERMS. --The judicial standards commission consists of [~~nine~~]
eleven positions:

A. positions 1 through 5 and position 10, each of
which shall be filled by a person who is a qualified elector
of this state, who is not a justice, judge or magistrate of
any court and who is not licensed to practice law in this
state. The governor shall fill each of these positions by

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1 appointment of qualified persons. Following initial terms
2 specified in this subsection, these positions shall be filled
3 in the same manner by qualified persons who serve for five
4 years or less, in such manner that one term expires on June 30
5 each year, and so that not more than [~~three~~] four of the
6 [~~five~~] six positions are occupied by persons from the same
7 political party. The initial terms for positions 1 through 5
8 begin on July 1, 1968. [~~and expire as follows~~] The initial
9 term for position 10 begins on July 1, 1999. The terms expire
10 as follows:

- 11 (1) position 1 on June 30, 1969;
- 12 (2) position 2 on June 30, 1970;
- 13 (3) position 3 on June 30, 1971;
- 14 (4) position 4 on June 30, 1972; [~~and~~]
- 15 (5) position 5 on June 30, 1973; and
- 16 (6) position 10 on June 30, 2004;

17 B. positions 6 and 7, each of which shall be
18 filled by a person who is licensed to practice law in this
19 state. These positions shall be filled by appointment of
20 qualified persons by majority vote of all members of the board
21 of commissioners of the state bar of New Mexico, but no member
22 of the board of commissioners shall be appointed. Following
23 initial terms specified in this subsection, these positions
24 shall be filled in the same manner by qualified persons who
25 serve for four years or less, in such manner that one of the

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1 terms expires on June 30 of each even-numbered year. Initial
2 terms begin on July 1, 1968 and expire as follows:

3 (1) position 6 on June 30, 1970; and

4 (2) position 7 on June 30, 1972; and

5 C. positions 8 and 9, each of which shall be
6 filled by a person who is a justice of the supreme court or a
7 judge of the court of appeals or district court and position
8 11, which shall be filled by a person who is a magistrate
9 court judge. These positions shall be filled by appointment
10 of qualified persons by the supreme court. Following initial
11 terms specified in this subsection, these positions shall be
12 filled in the same manner by qualified persons who serve for
13 four years or less, in such manner that at least one of the
14 terms expires on June 30 of each odd-numbered year. The
15 initial terms for positions 8 and 9 begin on July 1, 1968.
16 ~~[and expire as follows]~~ The initial term for position 11
17 begins on July 1, 1999. The terms expire as follows:

18 (1) position 8 on June 30, 1971; [~~and~~]

19 (2) position 9 on June 30, 1973; and

20 (3) position 11 on June 30, 2003. "

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with
15 recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

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18 1. On page 2, line 4, after "that" insert "at least".,

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Yes: 6

No: None

Excused: Davi s, Payne

Absent: None

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8 Mr. Speaker:
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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with
15 recommendation that it DO PASS.

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21 R. David Pederson, Chairman
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Yes: 10

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Absent: None

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