

SENATE BILL 599

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

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; MODIFYING THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR ELECTIONS; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978.

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

Section 1. Section 34-6-11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1968, Chapter 69, Section 14, as amended) is amended to read:

"34-6-11. JUDGES--EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT-- RESIDENCE--ELECTION.--

A. There shall be two district judges in the eighth judicial district. [serving divisions one and two. One of the judges shall maintain his principal office in Colfax or Union county and the other judge shall maintain his principal office in Taos county.] The judge of division one shall reside in Taos county and shall maintain his principal office in Taos county. The judge of division two shall reside in . 127636.1

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<u>B.</u> The chief judge of the eighth judicial <u>district</u> shall be selected by a majority of the district judges in that district. In the event of a tie, the senior judge shall be the chief judge.

C. The district judge in division one shall be elected by the registered, qualified electors of Taos county.

The district judge in division two shall be elected by the registered, qualified electors of Union and Colfax counties.

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