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SENATE BILL 828

Short Title: District 9C District Court Judge Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Berger of Franklin.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

March 15, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO CREATE DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT 9C CONSISTING OF
FRANKLIN, GRANVILLE, VANCE, AND WARREN COUNTIES AND TO
APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A JUDGE TO SERVE AT-LARGE IN THAT
DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-133(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Each district court district shall have the numbers of judges as set forth in the following table:

District	Judges	County
1	5	Camden Chowan Currituck Dare Gates Pasquotank Perquimans
2	4	Martin Beaufort Tyrrell Hyde Washington
3A	5	Pitt
3B	6	Craven Pamlico Carteret
4	8	Sampson Duplin

1			Jones
2			Onslow
3	5	8	New Hanover
4			Pender
5	6A	3	Halifax
6	6B	3	Northampton
7			Bertie
8			Hertford
9	7	7	Nash
10			Edgecombe
11			Wilson
12	8	6	Wayne
13			Greene
14			Lenoir
15	9	4	Granville
16			(part of Vance
17			see subsection (b))
18			Franklin
19	9A	2	Person
20			Caswell
21	9B	2	Warren
22			(part of Vance
23			see subsection (b))
24	<u>9C</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Franklin</u>
25			<u>Granville</u>
26			<u>Vance</u>
27			<u>Warren</u>
28	10	16	Wake
29	11	9	Harnett
30			Johnston
31			Lee
32	12	9	Cumberland
33	13	6	Bladen
34			Brunswick
35			Columbus
36	14	7	Durham
37	15A	4	Alamance
38	15B	5	Orange
39			Chatham
40	16A	3	Scotland
41			Hoke
42	16B	5	Robeson
43	17A	3	Rockingham
44	17B	4	Stokes

1			Surry
2	18	13	Guilford
3	19A	4	Cabarrus
4	19B	7	Montgomery
5			Moore
6			Randolph
7	19C	5	Rowan
8	20A	4	Stanly
9			Anson
10			Richmond
11	20B	1	(part of Union
12			see subsection (b))
13	20C	2	(part of Union
14			see subsection (b))
15	21	9	Forsyth
16	22	9	Alexander
17			Davidson
18			Davie
19			Iredell
20	23	4	Alleghany
21			Ashe
22			Wilkes
23			Yadkin
24	24	4	Avery
25			Madison
26			Mitchell
27			Watauga
28			Yancey
29	25	9	Burke
30			Caldwell
31			Catawba
32	26	18	Mecklenburg
33	27A	7	Gaston
34	27B	5	Cleveland
35			Lincoln
36	28	7	Buncombe
37	29A	3	McDowell
38			Rutherford
39	29B	4	Henderson
40			Polk
41			Transylvania
42	30	6	Cherokee
43			Clay
44			Graham

Haywood
Jackson
Macon
Swain."

5 **SECTION 2.** The district court judgeship established for District Court
6 District 9C authorized by this act shall be filled by election in the 2008 election for a
7 four-year term commencing January 1, 2009.

8 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 7A-200 reads as rewritten:

9 "**§ 7A-200. District and set of districts defined; chief district court judges and their**
10 **authority.**

11 (a) In this section:

12 (1) "District" means any district court district established by G.S. 7A-133
13 which consists exclusively of one or more entire counties;

14 (2) "Set of districts" means any set of two or more district court districts
15 established under G.S. 7A-133, none of which consists exclusively of
16 one or more entire counties, but both or all of which include territory
17 from the same county or counties and together comprise all of the
18 territory of that county or those counties; "set of districts" also means a
19 set of three district court districts in four counties, one consisting of all
20 four counties and the other two consisting of one or two entire counties
21 and parts of another county; and

22 (3) "Chief district court judge" means in the case of a set of districts, the
23 chief district court judge for those districts, designated by the chief
24 justice from among the district court judges for the districts in the set
25 of districts.

26 (b) Whenever by law a duty is imposed upon the chief district court judge, it
27 means for a set of districts the chief district court judge designated under subsection
28 (a)(3) of this section."

29 **SECTION 4.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Judicial
30 Department the sum of eighty thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$80,820) for the
31 2008-2009 fiscal year to fund the additional district court judgeship authorized by this
32 act.

33 **SECTION 5.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2009, but applies to the
34 2008 election as provided in the terms of the act.