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AN ACT relating to courts; increasing the number of district judges in the second and eighth judicial districts; increasing the number of district judges in the second and eighth judicial districts who must be judges of the family court; making appropriations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 3.012 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.012 For the second judicial district there must be ~~11~~ **12** district judges, ~~3~~ **4** of whom must be judges of the family court.

Sec. 2. NRS 3.018 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.018 For the eighth judicial district there must be ~~30~~ **33** district judges, ~~11~~ **12** of whom must be judges of the family court.

Sec. 3. The additional district judge required for the second judicial district pursuant to section 1 of this act and the additional district judges required for the eighth judicial district pursuant to section 2 of this act must be selected at the general election held on November 5, 2002, and take office on January 6, 2003. The terms of these judges expire on January 5, 2009.

Sec. 4. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the district judges' salary account the sum of \$81,588 for the salary of the additional district judge required pursuant to section 1 of this act.

2. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the district judges' salary account the sum of \$244,764 for the salaries of the additional district judges required pursuant to section 2 of this act.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriations made by subsections 1 and 2 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2003, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

Sec. 5. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any additional expenses of a local government that are related to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 6. 1. This section and sections 3 and 5 of this act become effective on October 1, 2001.

2. Section 4 of this act becomes effective on January 1, 2003.

3. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become effective at 12:01 a.m. on January 6, 2003.