

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 246—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT)

MARCH 5, 2007

Referred to Concurrent Committees on
Judiciary and Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning district judges.
(BDR 1-654)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included
in Executive Budget.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 1.5, 2)
(REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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 an appropriation; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

- 1 **Section 1.5** of this bill increases the number of district judges in the Second
- 2 Judicial District, which includes Washoe County, from 12 to 14. (NRS 3.010,
- 3 3.012) Both of the additional district judges must be judges of the family court,
- 4 increasing the number of judges of the family court in the Second Judicial District
- 5 from 4 to 6. (NRS 3.012)
- 6 **Section 2** of this bill increases the number of district judges in the Eighth
- 7 Judicial District, which includes Clark County, from 37 to 43. (NRS 3.010, 3.018)
- 8 Five of the 6 additional district judges must be judges of the family court,
- 9 increasing the number of judges of the family court in the Eighth Judicial District
- 10 from 13 to 18. (NRS 3.018)
- 11 **Sections 4 and 4.5** of this bill make an appropriation to pay for the salaries of
- 12 the additional district judges.



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

1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2 **Sec. 1.3.** (Deleted by amendment.)

3 **Sec. 1.5.** NRS 3.012 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 3.012 For the Second Judicial District there must be ~~12~~ 14
5 district judges, ~~4~~ 6 of whom must be judges of the family court.

6 **Sec. 1.7.** NRS 3.013 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 3.013 For the Third Judicial District there must be ~~three~~ two
8 district judges.

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

10 3.018 For the Eighth Judicial District there must be ~~37~~ 43
11 district judges, ~~13~~ 18 of whom must be judges of the family court.

12 **Sec. 3.** The additional district judges required for the Second
13 Judicial District pursuant to section 1.5 of this act and the additional
14 district judges required for the Eighth Judicial District pursuant to
15 section 2 of this act must be selected at the general election held on
16 November 4, 2008, and take office on January 5, 2009. The terms of
17 these judges expire on January 5, 2015.

18 **Sec. 4.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
19 General Fund to the District Judges' Salary Account the sum of
20 \$852,992 for the salaries of the additional district judges required
21 pursuant to sections 1.5 and 2 of this act.

22 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
23 subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30,
24 2009, and reverts to the State General Fund as soon as all payments
25 of money committed have been made.

26 **Sec. 4.5.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
27 General Fund to the District Judges' Salary Account the sum of
28 \$700,248 for the salaries of the additional district judges required
29 pursuant to sections 1.5 and 2 of this act.

30 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
31 subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30,
32 2009, and reverts to the State General Fund as soon as all payments
33 of money committed have been made.

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

37 **Sec. 6.** 1. This section and sections 3 and 5 of this act
38 become effective on October 1, 2007.

39 2. Section 4 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2008, if
40 Senate Bill No. 248 of this Session is enacted by the Legislature and
41 approved by the Governor.



- 1 3. Section 4.5 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2008,
- 2 only if section 4 of this act does not become effective.
- 3 4. Sections 1 to 2, inclusive, of this act become effective on
- 4 January 5, 2009.

