SENATE BILL NO. 9–COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT)

PREFILED OCTOBER 28, 2026

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to district courts. (BDR 1-570)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State Highway Fund: No.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 1, 2)
(NOT 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 district courts; increasing the number of district judges in certain judicial districts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law sets forth the number of district judges in each judicial district of this State. (NRS 3.011-3.0197) The Nevada Constitution authorizes the Legislature to increase or decrease the number of district judges. (Nev. Const. Art. 6, § 5) **Section 1** of this bill increases the number of district judges in the Second Judicial District who are not judges of the family court from nine district judges to ten district judges. (NRS 3.012) **Section 2** of this bill increases the number of district judges in the Second Judicial District who are judges of the family court from seven district judges to eight district judges. (NRS 3.0125) **Section 3** of this bill sets out the timeframe for the election of the additional judges who will take office on January 1, 2029.

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 [~~nine~~] ***10*** district judges who are not judges of the family court.

Sec. 2. NRS 3.0125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.0125 For the Second Judicial District, in addition to the district judges established pursuant to NRS 3.012, there must be ~~[seven]~~ ***eight*** district judges who are judges of the family court.

Sec. 3. Each additional district judge required pursuant to the amendatory provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this act must be selected at the General Election to be held on November 7, 2028, and take office on January 1, 2029, for a term that expires on January 3, 2033.

Sec. 4. The provisions 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. 5. 1. This section and sections 3 and 4 of this act become effective on July 1, 2027.

2. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become effective on January 1, 2029.

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