

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

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SENATE DRS85126-LL-92 (2/20)

Short Title: District 20B Court Personnel.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Goodall.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE FOR SUPERIOR COURT DISTRICT 20B SOONER THAN CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COURT PERSONNEL FOR DISTRICT 20B.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) The introductory language to Section 14.2(e1) of S.L. 2005-276 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 14.2.(e1)** Effective January 1, ~~2011~~, 2009, G.S. 7A-41(a), as amended by subsection (a) of this section, reads as rewritten:"

SECTION 1.(b) Section 14.2(e2) of S.L. 2005-276 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 14.2.(e2)** The superior court judgeship established for District 20B by subsection (e1) of this section effective January 1, ~~2011~~, 2009, shall be filled by election in the ~~2010~~ 2008 general election. No election shall be held in 2006 for the seat of the judge currently serving District 20B and residing in Union County, and that judge shall serve until a successor is elected in the ~~2010~~ 2008 general election, in order to provide for unstaggered terms for multiple judgeships in the same district."

SECTION 1.(c) Section 14.2(q) of S.L. 2005-276 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 14.2.(q)** With respect to the realignment of Superior Court Districts 20A and 20B, subsections (a) through (e) of this section become effective December 1, 2005, or the date upon which subsection (a) of this section is approved under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, whichever is later. With respect to the addition of a judge in Superior Court District 20B, subsections (e1) and (e2) of this section become effective January 1, ~~2011~~, 2009, or the date upon which subsection (e1) of this section is approved under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, whichever is later. With respect to the division of Superior Court District 29, subsections (a) through (e) of this section become effective December 1, 2005. With respect to the division of District

1 Court District 20, subsections (f) through (k) of this section become effective December
 2 1, 2005, or the date upon which subsection (f) of this section is approved under section
 3 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, whichever is later. With respect to the division of
 4 District Court District 29, subsections (f) through (k) of this section become effective
 5 December 1, 2005. With respect to the division of Prosecutorial District 20, subsections
 6 (l) through (p) of this section become effective January 1, 2007, or the date upon which
 7 subsection (l) of this section is approved under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of
 8 1965, whichever is later, but the district attorneys for Prosecutorial Districts 20A and
 9 20B shall be elected in the 2006 general election. With respect to the division of
 10 Prosecutorial District 29, subsections (l) through (p) of this section become effective
 11 January 1, 2007, but the district attorneys for Prosecutorial Districts 29A and 29B shall
 12 be elected in the 2006 general election."

13 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 7A-60(a1) reads as rewritten:

14 "(a1) The counties of the State are organized into prosecutorial districts, and each
 15 district has the counties and the number of full-time assistant district attorneys set forth
 16 in the following table:

17			No. of Full-Time
18	Prosecutorial		Asst. District
19	District	Counties	Attorneys
20	1	Camden, Chowan, Currituck,	11
21		Dare, Gates, Pasquotank,	
22		Perquimans	
23	2	Beaufort, Hyde, Martin,	7
24		Tyrrell, Washington	
25	3A	Pitt	11
26	3B	Carteret, Craven, Pamlico	11
27	4	Duplin, Jones, Onslow,	16
28		Sampson	
29	5	New Hanover, Pender	16
30	6A	Halifax	5
31	6B	Bertie, Hertford,	5
32		Northampton	
33	7	Edgecombe, Nash, Wilson	18
34	8	Greene, Lenoir, Wayne	13
35	9	Franklin, Granville,	12
36		Vance, Warren	
37	9A	Person, Caswell	5
38	10	Wake	38
39	11	Harnett, Johnston, Lee	16
40	12	Cumberland	21
41	13	Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus	12
42	14	Durham	15
43	15A	Alamance	10
44	15B	Orange, Chatham	9

1	16A	Scotland, Hoke	6
2	16B	Robeson	13
3	17A	Rockingham	6
4	17B	Stokes, Surry	7
5	18	Guilford	30
6	19A	Cabarrus	8
7	19B	Montgomery, Randolph	8
8	19C	Rowan	7
9	19D	Moore	4
10	20A	Anson, Richmond,	10
11		Stanly	
12	20B	Union	8 <u>11</u>
13	21	Forsyth	20
14	22	Alexander, Davidson, Davie,	20
15		Iredell	
16	23	Alleghany, Ashe, Wilkes,	7
17		Yadkin	
18	24	Avery, Madison, Mitchell,	6
19		Watauga, Yancey	
20	25	Burke, Caldwell, Catawba	18
21	26	Mecklenburg	49
22	27A	Gaston	14
23	27B	Cleveland,	10
24		Lincoln	
25	28	Buncombe	13
26	29A	McDowell, Rutherford	6
27	29B	Henderson, Polk, Transylvania	7
28	30	Cherokee, Clay, Graham,	11
29		Haywood, Jackson, Macon,	
30		Swain."	

31 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Judicial
32 Department the sum of five hundred ninety thousand one hundred ninety-three dollars
33 (\$590,193) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of seven hundred fourteen
34 thousand eighty-four dollars (\$714,084) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to fund (i) the
35 additional superior court judge authorized for Superior Court District 20B effective
36 January 1, 2009, by Section 1 of this act, (ii) one additional deputy clerk effective
37 January 1, 2009, (iii) one additional court reporter effective January 1, 2009, (iv) the
38 three additional assistant district attorney positions authorized for Prosecutorial District
39 20B by Section 2 of this act, (v) three additional victim witness legal assistants for
40 District 20B, and (vi) three additional magistrates to serve Union County.

41 **SECTION 4.** Section 1 of this act becomes effective January 1, 2009, but
42 applies to the 2008 election as provided in the terms of that section. The remainder of
43 this act becomes effective July 1, 2007.