

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2007**

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**SENATE BILL 619**

Short Title: District 20B Court Personnel. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Goodall.

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Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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March 12, 2007

1                                   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL SUPERIOR  
3 COURT JUDGE FOR SUPERIOR COURT DISTRICT 20B SOONER THAN  
4 CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COURT  
5 PERSONNEL FOR DISTRICT 20B.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7           **SECTION 1.(a)** The introductory language to Section 14.2(e1) of S.L.  
8 2005-276 reads as rewritten:

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

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

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

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

19           **"SECTION 14.2.(q)** With respect to the realignment of Superior Court Districts  
20 20A and 20B, subsections (a) through (e) of this section become effective December 1,  
21 2005, or the date upon which subsection (a) of this section is approved under section 5  
22 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, whichever is later. With respect to the addition of a  
23 judge in Superior Court District 20B, subsections (e1) and (e2) of this section become  
24 effective January 1, ~~2011~~, 2009, or the date upon which subsection (e1) of this section is  
25 approved under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, whichever is later. With  
26 respect to the division of Superior Court District 29, subsections (a) through (e) of this  
27 section become effective December 1, 2005. With respect to the division of District  
28 Court District 20, subsections (f) through (k) of this section become effective December  
29 1, 2005, or the date upon which subsection (f) of this section is approved under section

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

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

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

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

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

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

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