

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 7, 2017

3 SENATE BILL NO. 708

By: Sykes

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6 An Act relating to district judges; amending 20 O.S.
7 2011, Section 92.1, which relates to judicial
8 districts and district judges; adding certain
9 qualification; updating statutory reference; and
10 providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 20 O.S. 2011, Section 92.1, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 92.1. A. The state is hereby divided into twenty-six
15 (26) district court judicial districts with the number of authorized
16 districts and district judges to be as provided in Sections ~~2~~ 92.22
17 through ~~27~~ 92.27 of this ~~act~~ title.

18 B. Pursuant to the authority provided by Section 8 of Article
19 VII of the Oklahoma Constitution, a district judge shall have, in
20 addition to the qualifications required by such section and as part
21 of his or her experience as a licensed practicing attorney,
22 experience as lead counsel in a minimum of three (3) jury trials
23 brought to verdict prior to filing for such office or appointment.
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1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

2 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
3 February 7, 2017 - DO PASS
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