

DISTRICT AND JUVENILE COURT JUDGE AMENDMENTS

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Todd D. Weiler

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends provisions related to the number of judges in the district and juvenile court.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ amends the number of judges in the district and juvenile court; and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

78A-1-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 17

78A-1-104, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 17

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **78A-1-103** is amended to read:

78A-1-103. Number of district judges.

[(†)] The number of district court judges shall be:



- 28 [(a)] (1) four district judges in the First District;
- 29 [(b)] (2) 14 district judges in the Second District;
- 30 [(c)] (3) 31 district judges in the Third District;
- 31 [(d)] (4) 13 district judges in the Fourth District;
- 32 [(e)] (5) [~~except as provided in Subsection (2), six~~] seven district judges in the Fifth
- 33 District;
- 34 [(f)] (6) two district judges in the Sixth District;
- 35 [(g)] (7) three district judges in the Seventh District; and
- 36 [(h)] (8) three district judges in the Eighth District.

37 [(2) If the number of juvenile court judges in the Third Juvenile District, as described

38 in Section ~~78A-1-104~~, is decreased to nine, the number of district court judges in the Fifth

39 District is increased to seven.]

40 Section 2. Section **78A-1-104** is amended to read:

41 **78A-1-104. Number of juvenile judges and jurisdictions.**

42 [(+) The number of juvenile court judges shall be:

- 43 [(a)] (1) two juvenile judges in the First Juvenile District;
- 44 [(b)] (2) six juvenile judges in the Second Juvenile District;
- 45 [(c)] (3) [~~except as provided in Subsection (2), 10~~] nine juvenile judges in the Third
- 46 Juvenile District;
- 47 [(d)] (4) five juvenile judges in the Fourth Juvenile District;
- 48 [(e)] (5) three juvenile judges in the Fifth Juvenile District;
- 49 [(f)] (6) [~~one juvenile judge~~] two juvenile judges in the Sixth Juvenile District;
- 50 [(g)] (7) two juvenile judges in the Seventh Juvenile District; and
- 51 [(h)] (8) two juvenile judges in the Eighth Juvenile District.

52 [(2) (a) If there is a vacancy for a juvenile court judge in the Third Juvenile District, the

53 number of juvenile judges in the Third Juvenile District is decreased to nine.]

54 [(b) If a vacancy in the Third Juvenile District occurs and the number of juvenile

55 judges in the Third Juvenile District is decreased to nine, the governor shall fill the vacancy

56 created in Subsection ~~78A-1-103~~(2) for the Fifth District in accordance with Section

57 ~~78A-10-104~~.:]