

SENATE BILL No. 541

AN ACT concerning the court of appeals; relating to the number of judges; amending K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 20-3002 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 20-3002 is hereby amended to read as follows: 20-3002. (a) On and after January 1, 2008, through December 31, ~~2010~~ 2011, the court of appeals shall consist of 13 judges whose positions shall be numbered one to 13. On and after January 1, ~~2011~~ 2012, the court of appeals shall consist of 14 judges whose positions shall be numbered one to 14. Judges of the court of appeals shall possess the qualifications prescribed by law for justices of the supreme court.

(b) Judges of the court of appeals shall be selected in the manner provided by K.S.A. 20-3003 through 20-3010, and amendments thereto. Each judge of the court of appeals shall receive an annual salary in the amount prescribed by law. No judge of the court of appeals may receive additional compensation for official services performed by the judge. Each such judge shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of such judge's official duties in the same manner and to the same extent justices of the supreme court are reimbursed for such expenses.

(c) The supreme court may assign a judge of the court of appeals to serve temporarily on the supreme court.

(d) Any additional court of appeals judge position created by this section shall be considered a position created by the supreme court and not a civil appointment to a state office pursuant to K.S.A. 46-234, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 20-3002 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

Passed the HOUSE _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

APPROVED _____

Governor.