

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SENATE BILL 5523**

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53rd Legislature  
1993 Regular Session

DISTRICT COURTS--APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES PRO TEMPORE

EFFECTIVE DATE: 7/25/93

Passed by the Senate April 20, 1993  
YEAS 45 NAYS 2

JOEL PRITCHARD

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**President of the Senate**

Passed by the House April 7, 1993  
YEAS 98 NAYS 0

BRIAN EBERSOLE

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Approved May 12, 1993

MIKE LOWRY

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5523** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

MARTY BROWN

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**Secretary**

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State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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**By Senators Barr, Snyder and Prince**

Read first time 02/01/93. Referred to Committee on Law & Justice.

1            AN ACT Relating to district court judges pro tempore; and amending  
2 RCW 3.34.130.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 3.34.130 and 1986 c 161 s 4 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) Each district court shall designate one or more persons as  
7 judge pro tempore who shall serve during the temporary absence,  
8 disqualification, or incapacity of a district judge. The  
9 qualifications of a judge pro tempore shall be the same as for a  
10 district judge, except that with respect to RCW 3.34.060(1), the person  
11 appointed need only be a registered voter of the state. A district  
12 that has a population of not more than ten thousand and that has no  
13 person available who meets the qualifications under RCW 3.34.060 (2)(a)  
14 or (b), may appoint as a pro tempore judge a person who has taken and  
15 passed the qualifying examination for the office of district judge as  
16 is provided by rule of the supreme court. A judge pro tempore may sit  
17 in any district of the county for which he or she is appointed. A  
18 judge pro tempore shall be paid the salary authorized by the county  
19 legislative authority. For each day that a judge pro tempore serves in

1 excess of thirty days during any calendar year, the annual salary of  
2 the judge in whose place he or she serves shall be reduced by an amount  
3 equal to one-two hundred fiftieth of such salary: PROVIDED, That each  
4 full time district judge shall have up to fifteen days annual leave  
5 without reduction for service on judicial commissions established by  
6 the legislature or the chief justice of the supreme court. No  
7 reduction in salary shall occur when a judge pro tempore serves while  
8 a district judge is using sick leave granted in accordance with RCW  
9 3.34.100.

10 (2) The legislature may appropriate money for the purpose of  
11 reimbursing counties for the salaries of judges pro tempore for certain  
12 days in excess of thirty worked per year that the judge pro tempore was  
13 required to work as the result of service by a judge on a commission as  
14 authorized under subsection (1) of this section. No later than  
15 September 1 of each year, each county treasurer shall certify to the  
16 administrator for the courts for the year ending the preceding June 30,  
17 the number of days in excess of thirty that any judge pro tempore was  
18 required to work as the result of service by a judge on a commission as  
19 authorized under subsection (1) of this section. Upon receipt of the  
20 certification, the administrator for the courts shall reimburse the  
21 county from money appropriated for that purpose.

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