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- 2 **ESB 5036** H COMM AMD
- 3 By Committee on Appropriations

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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 6 following:
- 7 "Sec. 1. RCW 2.08.065 and 1996 c 208 s 5 are each amended to read
- 8 as follows:
- 9 There shall be in the county of Grant, two judges of the superior
- 10 court; in the county of Okanogan, ((one)) two judges of the superior
- 11 court; in the county of Mason, two judges of the superior court; in the
- 12 county of Thurston, eight judges of the superior court; in the counties
- 13 of Pacific and Wahkiakum jointly, one judge of the superior court; in
- 14 the counties of Ferry, Pend Oreille, and Stevens jointly, two judges of
- 15 the superior court; and in the counties of San Juan and Island jointly,
- 16 two judges of the superior court.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The additional judicial position created by
- 18 section 1 of this act is effective only if Okanogan county through its
- 19 duly constituted legislative authority documents its approval of the
- 20 additional position and its agreement that it will pay out of county
- 21 funds, without reimbursement from the state, the expenses of the
- 22 existing and additional judicial positions as provided by state law or
- 23 the state Constitution."
- 24 Correct the title.

<u>EFFECT:</u> Okanogan County will have its superior court judges increased, Grant County will not. The increase is effective only if Okanogan County agrees to pay the expenses of existing judicial positions in the county.

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