

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2446

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SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES--ADDITIONAL POSITIONS

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Passed by the House March 2, 1996
Yeas 88 Nays 0

CLYDE BALLARD
**Speaker of the
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate February 27, 1996
Yeas 47 Nays 0

JOEL PRITCHARD
President of the Senate

Approved March 28, 1996

MIKE LOWRY
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2446** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN
Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representative Foreman; by request of Administrator for the Courts)

Read first time 02/05/96.

1 AN ACT Relating to superior court judges; amending RCW 2.08.062,
2 2.08.061, and 2.08.065; and creating new sections.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.08.062 and 1995 c 117 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 There shall be in the counties of Chelan and Douglas jointly,
7 (~~three~~) five judges of the superior court; in the county of Clark
8 seven judges of the superior court; in the county of Grays Harbor three
9 judges of the superior court; in the county of Kitsap seven judges of
10 the superior court; in the county of Kittitas one judge of the superior
11 court; in the county of Lewis two judges of the superior court.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The additional judicial positions
13 created by section 1 of this act are effective only if Chelan and
14 Douglas counties jointly, through their duly constituted legislative
15 authorities, document their approval of the additional positions and
16 their agreement that they will pay out of county funds, without
17 reimbursement from the state, the expenses of the additional judicial
18 positions as provided by state law or the state Constitution.

1 (2) The judicial positions created by section 1 of this act shall
2 be effective January 1, 1997.

3 **Sec. 3.** RCW 2.08.061 and 1992 c 189 s 1 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 There shall be in the county of King no more than fifty-eight
6 judges of the superior court; in the county of Spokane (~~ten~~) eleven
7 judges of the superior court; and in the county of Pierce nineteen
8 judges of the superior court. (~~The King county legislative authority
9 may phase in the additional twelve judges, as authorized by the 1992
10 amendments to this section, over a period of time not to extend beyond
11 July 1, 1996. No more than two of the additional twelve judges may
12 take office prior to July 1, 1993.~~)

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The additional judicial position created by
14 section 3 of this act shall be effective only if Spokane county through
15 its duly constituted legislative authority documents its approval of
16 the additional position and its agreement that it will pay out of
17 county funds, without reimbursement from the state, the expenses of the
18 additional judicial position as provided by statute.

19 **Sec. 5.** RCW 2.08.065 and 1992 c 189 s 5 are each amended to read
20 as follows:

21 There shall be in the county of Grant, two judges of the superior
22 court; in the county of Okanogan, one judge of the superior court; in
23 the county of Mason, two judges of the superior court; in the county of
24 Thurston, (~~six~~) eight judges of the superior court; in the counties
25 of Pacific and Wahkiakum jointly, one judge of the superior court; in
26 the counties of Ferry, Pend Oreille, and Stevens jointly, two judges of
27 the superior court; and in the counties of San Juan and Island jointly,
28 two judges of the superior court.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** The additional judicial positions created by
30 section 5 of this act are effective only if Thurston county through its
31 duly constituted legislative authority documents its approval of the
32 additional positions and its agreement that it will pay out of county
33 funds, without reimbursement from the state, the expenses of the
34 additional judicial positions as provided by state law or the state
35 Constitution.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** One judicial position created by section 5
2 of this act shall be effective July 1, 1996; the second position shall
3 be effective July 1, 2000.

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