

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **80th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1995**  
4 **By: Senator Ross**

# A Bill

**ACT 41 OF 1995**  
**SENATE BILL 12**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW CIRCUIT-CHANCERY JUDGESHIP IN THE  
9 THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

### Subtitle

12 "TO CREATE A NEW CIRCUIT-CHANCERY  
13 JUDGESHIP IN THE 13TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT"

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

17 SECTION 1. (a) Effective immediately upon passage and approval of  
18 this act, there is hereby created in the Thirteenth Judicial District an  
19 additional circuit-chancery judgeship, which shall have jurisdiction in law,  
20 equity, and probate.

21 (b) As soon as possible after the effective date of this act, the  
22 Governor shall appoint a qualified person to temporarily fill the Thirteenth  
23 Judicial District Circuit-Chancery judgeship created herein, and the appointed  
24 person shall serve until December 31, 1996, or until a successor has been  
25 elected and qualified, whichever occurs last.

26 (c) The qualified electors of the Thirteenth Judicial District shall  
27 elect the additional circuit-chancery judge created herein at the November  
28 1996 general election to take office on January 1, 1997. The additional judge  
29 shall be elected in the same manner and shall satisfy the same qualifications  
30 for holding office and shall receive the same salary, expenses, and other  
31 allowances as provided by law for judges of the circuit-chancery courts. The  
32 judge shall serve for elected terms of four (4) years.

34 SECTION 2. The counties which comprise the Thirteenth Judicial District  
35 shall provide courtroom and office facilities and supplies for the judge of  
36 the circuit-chancery judgeship created by this act, which shall be paid out of

1 the county treasuries in the same manner as other demands against the  
2 counties, out of funds appropriated by the respective quorum courts of the  
3 counties for such purposes.

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5 SECTION 3. There shall be provided for the judge of the  
6 circuit-chancery judgeship created by this act a court reporter, whose salary  
7 shall be fixed and paid in the manner provided by law for court reporters of  
8 the circuit-chancery courts of this state.

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10 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
11 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
12 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14 SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
15 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
16 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
17 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
18 act are declared to be severable.

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20 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
21 hereby repealed.

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23 SECTION 7. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General  
24 Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the caseload of the Thirteenth Judicial  
25 District necessitates the appointment of an additional circuit-chancery judge  
26 immediately. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act  
27 being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,  
28 and safety, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and  
29 approval.

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APPROVED: 1/26/95

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