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4 By: Senator Ross

A Bill

SENATE BILL 12

For An Act To Be Entitled

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

Subtitle

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

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

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

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

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

SECTION 2. The counties which comprise the Thirteenth Judicial

1 District shall provide courtroom and office facilities and supplies for the
2 judge of the circuit-chancery judgeship created by this act, which shall be
3 paid out of the county treasuries in the same manner as other demands against
4 the counties, out of funds appropriated by the respective quorum courts of
5 the counties for such purposes.

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

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

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

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

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

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