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SENATE, No. 1411

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Senator GORMLEY

- AN ACT concerning oaths of office in certain circumstances and amending R.S. 41:2-10, P.L. 1948, c. 335, and P.L. 1951, c.
- 3 351.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:
- 7 1. R.S. 41:2-10 is amended to read as follows:
 - 41:2-10. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, any
- associate justice thereof, any judge of the Superior Court or judge of the tax court may administer the oaths of office and of
- allegiance to any person appointed to the office of Clerk of the Supreme Court, Clerk of the Superior Court, Secretary of State
- or Attorney General or to any other <u>elective or appointive</u> office as to which no other provision is made by law.
- 2. Section 1 of P.L. 1948, c. 335 (C. 41:2A-1) is amended to read as follows:
- 17 1. The Chief Justice and each Associate Justice of the Supreme Court [and], each judge of the Superior Court and each
- 19 judge of the tax court, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe the oath of allegiance prescribed
- by R. S. 41:1-1, and the oath of office required to be taken by judicial officers.
- 3. Section 3 of P.L. 1948, c. 335 (C. 41:2A-3) is amended to read as follows:
- 3. Any justice of the Supreme Court may administer the oath to a person appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or
- Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and any justice of the Supreme Court [or], judge of the Superior Court or judge of the
- 29 <u>tax court</u> may administer the oath to a person appointed a judge of the Superior Court or judge of the tax court. Any judge of
- the Superior Court or judge of the tax court may administer the oath to a person appointed a judge of [any juvenile and domestic
- 33 relations court, county district court or the judge of any other

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

- court,] <u>a municipal court</u> and any surrogate, deputy or special deputy surrogate.
- 3 4. Section 4 of P.L. 1948, c. 335 (C. 41:2A-4) is amended to read as follows:
- 5 4. The oaths shall also be subscribed by the judicial officer taking the oaths and, if the judicial officer is a Supreme Court
- Justice [or], judge of the Superior Court or judge of the tax court, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.
- 9 5. Section 1 of P.L. 1951, c. 351 (C. 41:2A-6) is amended to read as follows:
- 1. The Chief Justice, the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, the judges of the Superior Court, the judges of the
- [county district courts, the judges of the juvenile and domestic relations courts] tax court, the judges of the municipal courts,
- the judges of all other courts] and the surrogates, deputy surrogates and special deputy surrogates shall, before entering
- upon the execution of their respective offices, take and subscribe the following oath:
- 19 "I....., do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of this State and the Constitution of
- the United States, and will perform the duties of my office, faithfully, impartially and justly, to the best of my ability. So
- 23 help me God."
 - 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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This bill amends those sections of Title 41 governing judicial oaths of office to specifically include judges of the tax court. The bill also clarifies that Supreme Court justices and Superior and tax court judges may administer oaths of office to persons elected or appointed to any office if no other provision of law prescribing the procedure for administering oaths is applicable.

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JUDICIARY Judges

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Includes tax court judges in those statutes governing judicial oaths of office and clarifies the circumstances under which judges may administer oaths of office to other officials.

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1411

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 2, 1988

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1411.

Senate Bill No. 1411 amends sections of Title 41, Oaths and Affidavits, to specifically include judges of the tax court.

This bill clarifies that Supreme Court justices and Superior Court and Tax Court judges may administer oaths of office to persons elected or appointed to any office, if no other provision of law sets forth the procedure of administering the oath.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 1988 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1411

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 28, 1988

The Senate Judiciary Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1411.

This bill amends those sections of Title 41 governing judicial oaths of office to specifically include judges of the tax court.

The bill also clarifies that tax court judges, like Supreme Court justices and Superior Court judges, may administer oaths of office to persons elected or appointed to any office for which there is no specific statute governing the procedure for administering oaths.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1988 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.