

2A:4-4.4

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

HJSA 2A:4-4.4 (Judges--Juvenile and Domestic Relations--increases)

LAWS OF 1979 CHAPTER 497

Bill No. S3440

Sponsor(s) Gagliano

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Senate Judiciary

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Sponsor's statement:

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SENATE, No. 3440

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED NOVEMBER 13, 1979

By Senator GAGLIANO

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend "An act concerning juvenile and domestic relations courts in certain counties, and supplementing chapter 4 of Title 2A of the New Jersey Statutes," approved June 1, 1964 (P. L. 1964, c. 97).

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. Section 4 of P. L. 1964, c. 97 (C. 2A:4-4.4) is amended to  
2 read as follows:

3 1. The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall  
4 appoint in each county of the fifth class, having a population in  
5 excess of 300,000 *under the 1970 census*, **[2]** 4 attorneys-at-law to  
6 be judges of the juvenile and domestic relations court of the  
7 county. Each judge, so appointed, shall devote his entire time to his  
8 judicial duties, shall not engage in the practice of law, and shall be  
9 paid such salary as is provided by law.

10 Any such judge may be assigned by the Chief Justice of the  
11 Supreme Court to hold temporarily the **[County Court]** *Superior*  
12 *Court* or county district court of his county and, upon such assign-  
13 ment, shall have all the power, authority and jurisdiction of a  
14 judge of the **[County Court]** *Superior Court* or county district  
15 court.

16 The provisions of the chapter to which this act is a supplement  
17 in respect to a referendum on appointing a special juvenile court  
18 judge shall be inapplicable to any such county. Except as otherwise  
19 provided herein, the provisions of the chapter to which this act is a  
20 supplement shall be applicable to any judge appointed pursuant to  
21 this supplementary act.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

STATEMENT

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

FEBRUARY 29, 1980

KATHRYN FORSYTH / PATRICK SWEENEY

Governor Brendan Byrne has signed the following bills into law:

S-3440, sponsored by Senator S. Thomas Gagliano (R-Monmouth), which increases the number of juvenile and domestic relations court judges from two to four in Monmouth County.

A-721, sponsored by Assemblyman Christopher J. Jackman (D-Hudson), which amends the Check Cashing Law, pertaining to storefront check cashing offices, rather than banks and savings and loans.

The bill increases the maximum amount of check cashing fees from 3/4 percent to one percent for domestic and from one percent to 1-1/2 percent for out-of-state checks. The minimum charge is increased from 35 cents to 50 cents. In no event, however, may the charge exceed \$8. The fee schedule has not been changed since 1964.

In addition, the bill changes the penalty provision. The penalty is increased from \$500 to \$1,000 for each offense. Each check cashed without a license is a separate offense. The Commissioner of Banking is authorized to settle any penalty claims, which are treated as civil claims under the Penalty Enforcement Law.

A-1858, sponsored by Assemblyman Michael Matthews (D-Atlantic), which strengthens the status and capability of the county boards of taxation by modernizing and professionalizing their procedures and personnel.

The bill makes the following changes:

-- establishes an office of the county tax administrator in place of the present secretary of each county board;

-- clarifies the authority of the county tax board and county tax administrator over assessors;

-- fixes the minimum salary for the county tax administrator and increases the salaries of the board members. The salaries are based on the population of the counties.

-- raises fees for appeal to the board and requires that those fees be used to meet the expenses of the board.

-- authorizes the Director of the Division of Taxation to establish rules and regulations governing the conduct of the county tax administrators.