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Sponsor(s) Karcher & others

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This bill authorizes the appointment of three additional judges of the juvenile and domestic relations court in certain counties.

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**ASSEMBLY, No. 1324**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

INTRODUCED JANUARY 19, 1976

By Assemblymen KARCHER, OTLOWSKI, BORNHEIMER,  
FROUDE, HAMILTON, PATERO and VAN WAGNER

Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Law, Public Safety and Defense

AN ACT authorizing the appointment of additional judges of the  
juvenile and domestic relations court in certain counties and  
supplementing article 2 of chapter 4 of Title 2A of the New  
Jersey Statutes.

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

1 1. In each county having a population of more than 580,000 and  
2 less than 600,000 under the 1970 census the Governor, with the  
3 advice and consent of the Senate, shall, in addition to the judges  
4 of the juvenile and domestic relations court appointed in each  
5 such county pursuant to N. J. S. 2A:4-4, appoint \***[three]**\* \*two\*  
6 attorneys at law to be judges of the juvenile and domestic relations  
7 court, making \***[five]**\* \*four\* in all in each such county.

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.

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 1324**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
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DATED: JUNE 21, 1976

This bill authorizes the appointment of two additional judges of the juvenile and domestic relations court in Middlesex County, bringing the total number of such judges serving there to four. The additional judges are necessitated by the increased number of complaints filed in the county, especially in the juvenile crime area. Both Bergen and Union counties have already been allotted 4 judges for the juvenile and domestic relations court; the number of complaints filed in the Middlesex juvenile and domestic relations court for the period from September 1975 through February 1976 exceeds the total complaints filed in either the Bergen or Union juvenile and domestic relations courts for the same period.