

2A:3-13

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA 2A:3-13

Laws of 1977 Chapter 227 (Additional County Court Judges--Essex, Bergen, Ocean)

Bill No. S3053

Sponsor(s) Russo

Date Introduced January 27, 1977

Committee: Assembly Judiciary, Law, Public Safety & Defense

Senate Judiciary

Amended during passage Yes ~~NOX~~

Amendments during passage denoted by asterisks

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Sponsor statement Yes ~~No~~

Committee Statement: Assembly Yes ~~No~~

Senate Yes ~~No~~

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**SENATE, No. 3053**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

INTRODUCED JANUARY 27, 1977

By Senator RUSSO

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT concerning the appointment of county court judges in certain counties and amending N. J. S. 2A:3-13.

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

1 1. N. J. S. 2A:3-13 is amended to read as follows:

2 2A:3-13. There shall be a judge of each County Court; and in  
3 addition, the Governor may, whenever in his judgment the public  
4 interest requires, appoint additional judges as follows:

5 a. In counties now or hereafter having 900,000 or more in-  
6 habitants, **[11]** 13 additional judges, making **[12]** 14 in all in each  
7 of such counties.

8 b. In counties now or hereafter having not less than 700,000 nor  
9 more than 900,000 inhabitants, \***[nine]**\* \*11\* additional judges,  
10 making \***[10]**\* \*12\* in all in each of such counties.

11 c. In counties now or hereafter having not less than 400,000 nor  
12 more than 700,000 inhabitants, five additional judges, making six  
13 in all in each of such counties.

14 d. In counties now or hereafter having 150,000 or more and  
15 less than 400,000 inhabitants, three additional judges, making four  
16 in all in each of such counties.

17 e. In counties bordering on the Atlantic ocean and now or here-  
18 after having not less than 50,000 nor more than 100,000 inhabitants,  
19 an additional judge, making two in all in each of such counties.

20 f. In counties of the fifth class having, according to the 1960  
21 Federal census not more than 150,000 inhabitants, **[five]** seven  
22 additional judges, making **[six]** eight in all in each of such counties  
23 and in all other counties of the fifth class, three additional judges,  
24 making four in all.

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.**

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**STATEMENT**

The purpose of this bill is to provide for the appointment of two additional county court judges in counties now or hereafter having 900,000 or more inhabitants.

It would also provide for the appointment of two additional county court judges in counties of the fifth class having a population according to the 1960 Federal census of not less than 150,000.

REFERENCE USE ONLY

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY, LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY  
AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO  
**SENATE, No. 3053**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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DATED: MAY 9, 1977

This bill authorizes the appointment of 2 additional county court judges in Essex, Bergen and Ocean Counties. This would make a total of 14 county court judges in Essex, 12 in Bergen, and 8 in Ocean.

REFERENCE USE ONLY

SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 3053**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

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DATED: APRIL 21, 1977

This bill authorizes the appointment of 2 additional county court judges in Ocean and Essex Counties. This will make a total of 14 county court judges in Essex, and 8 in Ocean. The additional judges are needed due to the backlog of cases in these courts.