

HOUSE BILL 283: Supreme Court Sessions in Morganton

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<b>Committee:</b>	House Judiciary IV	Date:	April 1, 2015
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SUMMARY: House Bill 283 would authorize sessions of the North Carolina Supreme Court to be held in the City of Morganton not more than twice per year.

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S161, as introduced by Sen. Daniel, which is also currently in this committee.]

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 7A-10(a) provides that sessions of the North Carolina Supreme Court must be held in the City of Raleigh, except that the Court may hold sessions not more than twice per year in the Old Chowan County Courthouse in the Town of Edenton.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 161 authorizes the North Carolina Supreme Court to hold sessions in the City of Morganton not more than twice per year. The Court must meet in the Old Burke County Courthouse unless the Court identifies a more suitable site.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act is effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** Session Law 1997-56 authorized the North Carolina Supreme Court to hold sessions in the Old Chowan County Courthouse in the Town of Edenton.

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