



This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

HOUSE BILL 259: Add'l Judge and Magistrate in Union County.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House **Date:** March 12, 2019

Introduced by: Reps. Arp, Horn, Brody **Prepared by:** Tawanda N. Foster
Analysis of: PCS to First Edition Staff Attorney
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OVERVIEW: *The PCS for House Bill 259 would add one district court judge to District 20D in Union County and one magistrate to Union County and appropriate funds for these positions.*

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S206, as introduced by Sen. Johnson, which is currently in Senate Rules and Operations of the Senate.]

CURRENT LAW:

G.S. 7A-133(a) assigns four district court judges to Union County—one judge in District 20B, two judges in District 20C, and one judge in District 20D.

G.S. 7A-133(c) assigns seven magistrates to Union County.

BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS for House Bill 259 does the following:

- Adds one district court judge to District Court District 20D in Union County;
- Adds one magistrate to Union County; and
- Appropriates funds for these positions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The additional district court judgeship would become effective January 1, 2021 and elections conducted in 2020 will be conducted to include the judgeship created by this act. The remainder of the act is effective July 1, 2019.

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