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**SENATE BILL 19-043**

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**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**Lee and Gardner,** Cooke

**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**Herod and Carver,** Weissman, Arndt

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**Senate Committees**

Judiciary  
Appropriations

**House Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF DISTRICT COURT**  
102                    **JUDGES IN CERTAIN JUDICIAL DISTRICTS, AND, IN CONNECTION**  
103                    **THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill increases by one the number of district court judges in the first, eighth, tenth, thirteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, and twenty-first judicial districts; by 2 in the fourth and nineteenth judicial districts; and by 4 in the second judicial district.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-102, **add** (2)(g)  
3 as follows:

4           **13-5-102. First district.** (2) (g) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
5 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
6 THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS FOURTEEN.

7           **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-103, **add** (2)(d)  
8 as follows:

9           **13-5-103. Second district.** (2) (d) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
10 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
11 THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS TWENTY-SEVEN.

12           **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-105, **add** (2)(g)  
13 as follows:

14           **13-5-105. Fourth district.** (2) (g) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
15 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
16 THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS TWENTY-FOUR.

17           **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-109, **add** (2)(e)  
18 as follows:

19           **13-5-109. Eighth district.** (2) (e) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
20 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
21 THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS NINE.

22           **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-111, **add** (2)(c)  
23 as follows:

24           **13-5-111. Tenth district.** (2) (c) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
25 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
26 THE TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS EIGHT.

1           **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-114, **amend** (2)  
2 as follows:

3           **13-5-114. Thirteenth district.** (2) (a) The number of judges for  
4 the thirteenth judicial district shall be four.

5           (b) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
6 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS  
7 FIVE.

8           **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-118, **add** (2)(g)  
9 as follows:

10           **13-5-118. Seventeenth district.** (2) (g) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
11 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
12 THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS SIXTEEN.

13           **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-119, **add**  
14 (2)(d)(VI) as follows:

15           **13-5-119. Eighteenth district.** (2) (d) (VI) SUBJECT TO  
16 AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF  
17 JUDGES FOR THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS TWENTY-FOUR.

18           **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-120, **add** (2)(g)  
19 as follows:

20           **13-5-120. Nineteenth district.** (2) (g) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
21 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
22 THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS ELEVEN.

23           **SECTION 10.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 13-5-122, **add**  
24 (2)(c) as follows:

25           **13-5-122. Twenty-first district.** (2) (c) SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE  
26 APPROPRIATIONS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019, THE NUMBER OF JUDGES FOR  
27 THE TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT IS SIX.

1            **SECTION 11. Appropriation.** For the 2019-20 state fiscal year,  
 2            \$9,693,205 is appropriated to the judicial department. This appropriation  
 3            is from the general fund and is based on an assumption that the  
 4            department will require an additional 78.0 FTE. To implement this act,  
 5            the department may use this appropriation as follows:

6	<b><u>Courts administration, central appropriations</u></b>	
7	<u>Health, life, and dental</u>	<u>\$437,570</u>
8	<u>Short-term disability</u>	<u>\$3,872</u>
9	<u>S.B. 04-257 amortization equalization disbursement</u>	<u>\$187,666</u>
10	<u>S.B. 06-235 supplemental amortization</u>	
11	<u>equalization disbursement</u>	<u>\$187,666</u>
12	<b><u>Courts administration, centrally-administered programs</u></b>	
13	<u>Courthouse furnishings and infrastructure</u>	
14	<u>maintenance</u>	<u>\$1,671,645</u>
15	<b><u>Trial courts</u></b>	
16	<u>Trial court programs</u>	<u>\$5,156,028 (55.2 FTE)</u>
17	<b><u>Office of the state public defender</u></b>	
18	<u>Personal services</u>	<u>\$1,356,910 (22.8 FTE)</u>
19	<u>Health, life, and dental</u>	<u>\$224,512</u>
20	<u>Short-term disability</u>	<u>\$2,304</u>
21	<u>S.B. 04-257 amortization equalization disbursement</u>	<u>\$60,658</u>
22	<u>S.B. 06-235 supplemental amortization equalization</u>	
23	<u>disbursement</u>	<u>\$60,658</u>
24	<u>Operating expenses</u>	<u>\$21,850</u>
25	<u>Capital outlay</u>	<u>\$117,950</u>
26	<u>Leased space and utilities</u>	<u>\$201,066</u>
27	<u>Attorney registration</u>	<u>\$2,850.</u>

1           **SECTION 12. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
2 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
3 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.