

Amendment No. 1 to HB0931

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 680*

House Bill No. 931

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 14, Part 2, is amended by adding the following new section:

8-14-2____

(a) Effective October 1, 2013, there are created six (6) additional assistant public defender positions to be recommended for designation in judicial districts as provided in this section.

(1) The district public defenders conference shall prepare a report that contains the number of judgeships with criminal jurisdiction that have been created from 2007 to the effective date of this act and the judicial district in which the judgeship was created. One (1) of the additional assistant public defenders positions created by this section shall be recommended in the report to each judicial district in which a new judgeship with criminal jurisdiction has been created during the designated time period.

(2) By October 1, 2013, the executive director of the district public defenders conference shall file the report prepared pursuant to subdivision (1) with the speaker of the senate and house of representatives and chair of the senate judiciary committee and the house of representatives criminal justice committee. Upon the filing of such report, the district public defenders recommended by the report to receive additional assistant positions shall be authorized to interview and employ persons to fill such positions.

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(b) As early as is practicable during the second session of the one hundred and eighth general assembly, the general assembly shall consider and enact legislation that specifically designates the judicial district in which the persons employed in the additional assistant district public defender positions created pursuant to subsection (a) will serve.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.