

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1489

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 9, 1998

The Assembly Judiciary Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1489.

This bill provides for an additional Superior Court judge, increasing the total number of judges of that court from 416 to 417 and increasing the total number of judges of the Superior Court who at the time of their appointment or reappointment were residents of Warren County from three to four. The bill also provides that all four of the judges appointed who were residents of Warren County at the time of appointment shall sit in Warren County; N.J.S.2B:2-1 currently requires that two of the current three sit in Warren County.

In addition, the bill provides a \$275,000.00 appropriation to the Administrative Office of the Courts for the costs for the additional judge.

This bill was prefiled for introduction in the 1998-1999 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.