

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1489

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 30, 1998

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

Assembly Bill No. 1489 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.

The bill also provides a \$275,000 appropriation to the Administrative Office of the Courts for the costs for the additional judge.

This bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 447 of 1998.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill makes an appropriation in the amount of \$275,000 to the Administrative Office of the Courts for the costs associated with the additional judge.