

# HR 4093

Federal Judgeship and Administrative Efficiency Act of 2005

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## **Sponsor**

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Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	$R \cdot ID$		Oct 20, 2005
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Rep. Coble, Howard [R-NC-6]	$R \cdot NC$		Oct 27, 2005
Rep. Feeney, Tom [R-FL-24]	$R \cdot FL$		Oct 27, 2005
Rep. Keller, Ric [R-FL-8]	$R \cdot FL$		Oct 27, 2005
Rep. Otter, C. L. (Butch) [R-ID-1]	$R \cdot ID$		Oct 27, 2005
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	$R \cdot FL$		Nov 8, 2005
Rep. Hastings, Doc [R-WA-4]	$R \cdot WA$		Nov 8, 2005
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	$R \cdot MI$		Dec 7, 2005
Rep. McHenry, Patrick T. [R-NC-10]	$R \cdot NC$		Dec 7, 2005

## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged from	Oct 27, 2005

# **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Law

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1845	Related bill	Sep 20, 2006: Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 109-1035.
109 S 1296	Related bill	Oct 26, 2005: Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 109-190.
109 S 1301	Related bill	Oct 26, 2005: Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 109-190.
109 HR 3125	Related bill	Aug 23, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
109 HR 211	Related bill	Mar 2, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
109 HR 212	Related bill	Mar 2, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.

Summary (as of Feb 8, 2006)

Federal Judgeship and Administrative Efficiency Act of 2005 - **Title I: Circuit and District Judgeships** - Federal Judgeship Act of 2005 - Directs the President to appoint: (1) additional circuit judges for the first, second, sixth, and ninth circuit courts of appeals and a temporary judge for the eighth and ninth circuit courts of appeals; and (2) additional permanent and temporary district judges for districts in specified states.

Amends the Judicial Improvements Act of 1990 to extend for five years a specified temporary judgeship relating to the northern district of Ohio.

Amends the federal judicial code and the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to establish a federal judicial district in the Virgin Islands, and revise requirements relating to the jurisdiction of courts there.

**Title II: Bankruptcy Judgeships** - Enhanced Bankruptcy Judgeship Act of 2005 - Authorizes and requires: (1) additional permanent and temporary bankruptcy judgeships in specified states; and (2) the conversion of certain existing temporary bankruptcy judgeships into permanent bankruptcy judgeships.

Expresses the sense of the Congress that bankruptcy judges in the eastern district of California should conduct bankruptcy proceedings on a daily basis in Bakersfield, California.

Title III: Ninth Circuit Reorganization- Judicial Administration and Improvements Act of 2005 - Amends the federal judicial code to divide the ninth judicial circuit into the new ninth judicial circuit (to be composed of California, Guam, Hawaii, and the Northern Mariana Islands) and the twelfth circuit (to be composed of Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.) Sets the number of circuit judges for the ninth circuit at 19, and the number for the twelfth circuit at 14. Specifies the locations where the new circuits shall hold regular sessions. Prescribes requirements for the disposition of cases pending in the former ninth circuit prior to the effective date of this Act. Authorizes the temporary assignment of circuit and district court judges of the former ninth circuit among the new circuits. Allows the senior circuit judge of the former ninth circuit to elect assignment to the new ninth or to the twelfth circuit.

Declares that the former ninth circuit shall cease to exist for administrative purposes two years after the enactment of this Act.

Title IV: Authorization of Appropriations - Authorizes appropriations for FY2006-FY2009 to carry out this Act.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Feb 8, 2006: Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 109-373.
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- Feb 8, 2006: Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 204.
- Oct 27, 2005: Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property Discharged.
- Oct 27, 2005: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Oct 27, 2005: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 22 12.
- Oct 24, 2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
- Oct 20, 2005: Introduced in House
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- Oct 20, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.