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H. R. 4905

To authorize the appointment of additional Federal district court judges for the middle and southern districts of Florida, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GOSS (for himself, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mr. KELLER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. ADDITIONAL FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT**
4 **JUDGES FOR FLORIDA.**

5 (a) PERMANENT DISTRICT COURT JUDGES.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall appoint,
7 by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,—

8 (A) 1 additional district court judge for
9 the middle district of Florida; and

1 (B) 1 additional district court judge for
 2 the southern district of Florida.

3 (2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-
 4 MENT.—The table contained in section 133(a) of
 5 title 28, United States Code, is amended by striking
 6 the item relating to Florida and inserting the fol-
 7 lowing:

“Florida:

Northern	4
Middle	16
Southern	18”.

8 (b) TEMPORARY JUDGESHIP.—The President shall
 9 appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,
 10 1 additional district judge for the middle district of Flor-
 11 ida. The first vacancy in the office of district judge in the
 12 middle district of Florida, occurring 7 years or more after
 13 the confirmation date of the judge named to fill the tem-
 14 porary district judgeship created in that district by this
 15 subsection, shall not be filled.

16 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
 17 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
 18 necessary to carry out this section, including such sums
 19 as may be necessary to provide appropriate space and fa-
 20 cilities for the judicial positions created by this section.

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