# <sup>111TH CONGRESS</sup> 2D SESSION H.R. 4506

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

March 15, 2010

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## **AN ACT**

To authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges, and for other purposes.

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

#### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the "Bankruptcy Judgeship3 Act of 2010".

### 4 SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL PERMANENT OFFICES OF BANK-5 RUPTCY JUDGES.

6 Section 152(a)(2) of title 28, United States Code, is
7 amended—

8 (1) in the item relating to the eastern and west9 ern districts of Arkansas by striking "3" and insert10 ing "4";

(2) in the item relating to the eastern district
of California by striking "6" and inserting "8";

(3) in the item relating to the district of Delaware by striking "1" and inserting "6";

15 (4) in the item relating to the middle district of16 Florida by striking "8" and inserting "9";

17 (5) in the item relating to the northern district
18 of Florida by striking "1" and inserting "2";

(6) in the item relating to the southern district
of Florida by striking "5" and inserting "7";

(7) in the item relating to the northern district
of Georgia by striking "8" and inserting "10";

(8) in the item relating to the southern district
of Georgia by striking "2" and inserting "3";

25 (9) in the item relating to the district of Mary26 land by striking "4" and inserting "7";

1	(10) in the item relating to the eastern district
2	of Michigan by striking "4" and inserting "7";
3	(11) in the item relating to the northern district
4	of Mississippi by striking "1" and inserting "2";
5	(12) in the item relating to the district of Ne-
6	vada by striking "3" and inserting "5";
7	(13) in the item relating to the district of New
8	Hampshire by striking "1" and inserting "2";
9	(14) in the item relating to the district of New
10	Jersey by striking "8" and inserting "9";
11	(15) in the item relating to the northern district
12	of New York by striking "2" and inserting "3";
13	(16) in the item relating to the southern district
14	of New York by striking "9" and inserting "10";
15	(17) in the item relating to the eastern district
16	of North Carolina by striking "2" and inserting "3";
17	(18) in the item relating to the western district
18	of North Carolina by striking "2" and inserting "3";
19	(19) in the item relating to the middle district
20	of Pennsylvania by striking "2" and inserting "3";
21	(20) in the item relating to the eastern district
22	of Tennessee by striking "3" and inserting "4";
23	(21) in the item relating to the western district
24	of Tennessee by striking "4" and inserting "5";

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(22) in the item relating to the eastern district 1 2 of Virginia by striking "5" and inserting "6"; and 3 (23) in the item relating to the southern district of West Virginia by striking "1" and inserting "2". 4 5 SEC. 3. CONVERSION OF CERTAIN TEMPORARY OFFICES OF 6 BANKRUPTCY JUDGES TO PERMANENT OF-7 FICES. 8 (a) CONVERSION OF CERTAIN TEMPORARY OFFICES 9 ESTABLISHED BY PUBLIC LAW 109–8.—The temporary offices of bankruptcy judges established by section 10 1223(b)(1) of Public Law 109–8 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) for 11 12 the following districts are hereby converted so as to be 13 included in the permanent offices of bankruptcy judges that are added by the amendments made by section 2 with 14 15 respect to the corresponding districts: 16 (1) The eastern district of California. 17 (2) The district of Delaware. 18 (3) The southern district of Florida. 19 (4) The southern district of Georgia. 20 (5) The district of Maryland. 21 (6) The district of New Jersey.

- 22 (7) The northern district of New York.
- 23 (8) The southern district of New York.
- 24 (9) The eastern district of North Carolina.
- 25 (10) The middle district of Pennsylvania.

1	(11) The western district of Tennessee.
2	(12) The eastern district of Virginia.
3	(13) The district of Nevada.
4	(b) Conversion of Certain Temporary Offices
5	Established by Public Law 102–361.—The tem-
6	porary offices of bankruptcy judges established by section
7	3(a) of Public Law 102–361 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) for the
8	following districts are hereby converted so as to be in-
9	cluded in the permanent offices of bankruptcy judges that
10	are added by the amendments made by section 2 with re-
11	spect to the corresponding districts:
12	(1) The district of Delaware.
13	(2) The district of New Hampshire.
14	(3) The eastern district of Tennessee.
15	SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN TEMPORARY OFFICES OF
16	BANKRUPTCY JUDGES ESTABLISHED BY PUB-
17	LIC LAW 109-8.
18	(a) EXTENSIONS.—The temporary offices of bank-
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20	ruptcy judges established for the eastern district of Penn-
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21 22	sylvania and the middle district of North Carolina by sec- tion 1223(b)(1) of Public Law 109–8 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) are extended until the 1st vacancy occurring in the

of a bankruptcy judge and occurring 5 years or more after 1 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

3 (b) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS.—Except 4 as provided in subsection (a), all other provisions of sec-5 tion 1223(b) of Public Law 109-8 (28 U.S.C. 152 note) remain applicable to the temporary offices of bankruptcy 6 7 judges referred to in subsection (a).

#### 8 SEC. 5. PAYGO OFFSET.

9 (a) BANKRUPTCY FILING FEES.—Section 1930(a) of 10 title 28, United States Code, is amended—

11 (1) in paragraph (1)—

12 (A) in subparagraph (A) by striking "\$245" and inserting "\$246"; and 13

14 (B) in subparagraph (B) by striking "\$235" and inserting "\$236"; and 15

(2) in paragraph (3) by striking "\$1,000" and 16 17 inserting "\$1,042".

18 (b) UNITED STATES TRUSTEE FUND.—Section 19 589a(b) of title 28, United States Code, is amended—

20 (1) in paragraph (1)— (A) in subparagraph (A) by striking

22 "40.46" and inserting "40.28"; and

23 (B) in subparagraph (B) by striking "28.33" and inserting "28.15"; and 24

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1 (2) in paragraph (2) by striking "55" and in-2 serting "52.78".

3 (c) COLLECTION AND DEPOSITION OF MISCELLA4 NEOUS BANKRUPTCY FEES.—Section 406(b) of the Judi5 ciary Appropriations Act, 1990 (Public Law 101–162; 28)
6 U.S.C. 1931 note) is amended—

7 (1) by striking "28.87" and inserting "28.74";
8 (2) by striking "35.00" and inserting "34.77";
9 and

10 (3) by striking "25" and inserting "23.99".

#### 11 SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATES.

(a) GENERAL EFFECTIVE DATE.—Except as provided in subsection (b), this Act and the amendments
made by this Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

16 (b) SPECIAL EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments
17 made by section 5 shall take effect 180 days after the date
18 of the enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives March 12, 2010.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER, Clerk.

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