Public Law 95-573 95th Congress

An Act

Nov. 2, 1978 [H.R. 14145] To amend title 28 of the United States Code to make certain changes in the divisions within judicial districts and in the places of holding court, and to require the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts to conduct a study of the judicial business of the Central District of California and the Eastern District of New York.

District courts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 93 of title 28, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1) of subsection (a), by striking out "Kankakee,", and

(2) in subsection (b), by inserting "Kankakee," immediately after "Iroquois,".

SEC. 2. Section 99 of title 28 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows:

"§ 99. Maine

"Maine constitutes one judicial district.

"Court shall be held at Bangor and Portland.".

SEC. 3. The last sentence of section 112(b) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"Court for the Southern District shall be held at New York and White Plains.".

SEC. 4. The last sentence of section 118(c) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"Court for the Western District shall be held at Erie, Johnstown, and Pittsburgh.".

SEC. 5. Within one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts shall conduct a comprehensive study of the judicial business of the Central District of California and the Eastern District of New York, and shall make recommendations to the Congress with respect to the need for creation of new judicial districts from portions of the judicial districts referred to in this section or the immediately surrounding judicial districts.

SEC. 6. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the provisions of this Act shall take effect 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) The provisions of section 5 of this Act shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) Nothing in this Act shall affect the composition or preclude the service of any grand or petit juror summoned, empaneled, or actually serving in any judicial district on the effective date of this Act.

Approved November 2, 1978.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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