

CHAPTER 40

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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; AUTHORIZING COMPENSATION FOR RETIRED METROPOLITAN COURT JUDGES WHO SERVE AS SPECIAL MASTERS, ARBITRATORS OR METROPOLITAN COURT JUDGE PRO TEMPORES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 34, Article 8A NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"APPOINTMENT AS SPECIAL MASTER, ARBITRATOR OR METROPOLITAN COURT JUDGE PRO TEMPORE--COMPENSATION.--

A. The chief metropolitan court judge may appoint a retired metropolitan court judge, with the retired judge's consent, to serve as a special master, an arbitrator or a metropolitan court judge pro tempore, subject to money available in the metropolitan court operating budget.

B. A retired metropolitan court judge shall be compensated for his services in an amount equal to ninety percent of the compensation provided to a district court judge pro tempore."

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2002.

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