## SENATE BILL 56

## 50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

INTRODUCED BY

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ENDORSED BY THE COURTS, CORRECTIONS AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

## AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; REQUIRING ONE DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN A PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN ROOSEVELT COUNTY PURSUANT TO RULE OF THE DISTRICT COURT.

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

Section 1. Section 34-6-12 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1968, Chapter 69, Section 15, as amended) is amended to read:

"34-6-12. JUDGES--NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.--There shall be five district judges in the ninth judicial district. [The judge of division three shall reside in Curry or Roosevelt county and] At least one of the district judges shall be designated to maintain a principal office in Roosevelt county pursuant to rule of the district court. As used in this section, "maintain a principal office" means holding court or being available to hold court no less than one hundred forty

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days during each calendar year." - 2 -

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