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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; CREATING THE JUDGE PRO TEMPORE FUND TO
PAY THE COSTS OF JUDGES PRO TEMPORE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. JUDGE PRO TEMPORE FUND--CREATED.--The "judge
pro tempore fund" is created in the state treasury, to be
administered by the administrative office of the courts. The
fund shall be used to pay the costs of judges pro tempore.
The fund shall consist of appropriations, gifts, grants,
donations and bequests made to the fund. Income from the
fund shall be credited to the fund, and money in the fund
shall not revert or be transferred to any other fund at
the end of a fiscal year. Payments from the judge pro
tempore fund shall be made pursuant to vouchers issued and
signed by the director of the administrative office of the
courts or the director's designee upon warrants drawn by the
secretary of finance and administration.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
peace, health and safety that this act take effect
immediately.
