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AN ACT

RELATING TO COURTS; CREATING THE COURT OF APPEALS BUILDING  
COMMISSION.

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

Section 1. COURT OF APPEALS BUILDING COMMISSION--  
CREATION--MEMBERSHIP.--

A. The "court of appeals building commission" is  
created within the judicial branch. The court of appeals  
building commission shall be composed of the chief judge of  
the court of appeals; the chief clerk of the court of  
appeals; one member of the supreme court appointed by the  
chief justice of the supreme court; and two public members  
with architectural or engineering expertise appointed by the  
chief judge of the court of appeals.

B. Each member of the court of appeals building  
commission shall qualify by taking the oath prescribed by the  
constitution of New Mexico for state officers. An appointed  
member shall hold office until there is a change in the  
appointing authority and the member's successor is appointed.  
Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original  
appointment. Members shall receive reimbursement as provided  
in the Per Diem and Mileage Act and shall receive no other  
compensation, perquisite or allowance. No member shall be  
interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract relating

1 to the construction, equipment or maintenance of the court of  
2 appeals building, and any contract made in violation of this  
3 sentence is void.

4 Section 2. COURT OF APPEALS BUILDING COMMISSION--  
5 ORGANIZATION.--The court of appeals building commission shall  
6 elect from its membership a chair, a vice chair and a  
7 secretary. The chair shall preside at all meetings of the  
8 commission and shall sign on behalf of the commission all  
9 contracts and necessary papers authorized by the commission.  
10 In the absence of the chair, the vice chair shall exercise  
11 the chair's duties. The secretary shall keep complete  
12 records of all commission business and shall approve all  
13 vouchers submitted to the department of finance and  
14 administration for the expenditure of funds available to the  
15 commission. Three members of the commission constitute a  
16 quorum for the transaction of business, and all actions of  
17 the commission shall be by a majority vote of members  
18 present.

19 Section 3. COURT OF APPEALS BUILDING COMMISSION--  
20 DUTIES.--

21 A. The court of appeals building commission has  
22 care, custody and control of the court of appeals building  
23 and its grounds, along with all court of appeals equipment,  
24 furniture and fixtures housed in the building. The court of  
25 appeals shall report and record all these assets as required

1 by state audit rules.

2 B. With respect to the property under the care,  
3 custody and control of the court of appeals pursuant to  
4 Subsection A of this section, the court of appeals building  
5 commission shall:

6 (1) provide for the design, construction,  
7 maintenance, repair, cleaning, heating, cooling and lighting  
8 of that property; and

9 (2) subject to legislative appropriation,  
10 hire employees as necessary and fix their compensation and  
11 terms of employment; provided that no compensation shall be  
12 paid to a person who is compensated by another agency of the  
13 state.

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