



1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 581

November 5, 1999 - Introduced by Representatives JESKEWITZ, DUFF, MUSSER, GOETSCH, OWENS, PLOUFF, GUNDERSON, M. LEHMAN, KEDZIE and SERATTI, cosponsored by Senators DARLING, HUELSMAN, FARROW and PANZER. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Personal Privacy.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 800.065 (1); and *to create* 800.065 (2m) of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** the appointment of municipal temporary reserve judges.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the chief judge of a judicial administrative district may appoint a person as a temporary reserve judge to act as a municipal court judge in a municipality in that district to perform duties on a day-to-day basis as directed by the chief judge. To be eligible to be appointed as a temporary reserve judge, a person must have served eight or more years as a municipal court judge or served four or more years as a municipal court judge and not been defeated in his or her last judicial office race. This bill allows the chief judge of a judicial administrative district to appoint any eligible person to act as a temporary reserve judge within that judicial district, regardless of where the person resides at the time of the appointment.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 800.065 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 800.065 (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section, “temporary reserve judge” means a
5 person appointed to act as a judge for a municipal court for any municipality within
6 the judicial administrative district appointed by the chief judge of that the judicial

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1 administrative district in which the municipality is located to perform such specified
2 duties on a day-by-day basis as the chief judge may direct.

3 **SECTION 2.** 800.065 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

4 800.065 **(2m)** APPOINTING AUTHORITY. The chief judge of a judicial
5 administrative district may appoint any person who is eligible under sub. (2) to serve
6 as a temporary reserve judge regardless of where that person resides at the time of
7 the appointment.

8 (END)