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HOUSE BILL 962

Short Title: Suspend Superior Court Judge Rotation. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Brubaker; and Hurley.

Referred to: State Government/State Personnel, if favorable, Judiciary II.

April 2, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF ROTATION OF
SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-47.3(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) To effect the intent of Article IV, Section 11 of the North Carolina Constitution, each regular resident superior court judge may, upon each rotation, be assigned to hold the courts either of one of the districts or of one of the sets of districts, as defined in G.S. 7A-41.1(a), in that judge's judicial division. Nothing in this section prohibits the Chief Justice, in times of severe financial difficulty, from temporarily suspending rotation under this subsection as a cost-saving measure so long as rotation is resumed as soon as practicable in order to honor the constitutional mandate to observe the principle of rotation."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

