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2013-2014 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. YOUNG -- (at request of the Legislative Commission on Rural Resources) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the uniform justice court act, in relation to the location of the presiding justice in certain circumstances

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 106 of the uniform justice court act, as amended by section 1 of part L of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

3 1. A justice may hold court anywhere in the municipality including in the case of a town justice anywhere within a village wholly or partly contained within the town of which he is a justice regardless of whether 6 or not said village has a village court and in the event two or more 7 contiguous villages maintain offices in the same building, a village justice of any such village may hold court in such building, notwith-9 standing that the building is outside the boundaries of such village. A 10 11 town justice may hold court in an adjacent town providing such has been elected or holds office pursuant to a plan established by 12 resolution which was adopted pursuant to the provisions of section one 13 14 hundred six-a of this article or the provisions of section one hundred six-b of this article. A justice may hold court in one or more munici-15 16 palities that form a contiguous geographic area, including in a town and one or more villages each of which is wholly or partly contained within 17 18 such town, within the same county providing there is an agreement 19 between such municipalities pursuant to article [five-g] FIVE-G of the general municipal law to hold all court proceedings in any of the such 20 municipalities in a courtroom or other suitable facility open to the 21 22 public. FOR PURPOSES OF ARRAIGNMENTS, APPEARANCE PROCEEDINGS OR PURSU-23 TO A WARRANT, A JUSTICE MAY PRESIDE ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTY PROVIDED 24 THAT:

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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A. A JUSTICE CANNOT BE SECURED IN THE MUNICIPALITY WHERE THE INCIDENT OCCURRED;

- B. THE RECEIVING MUNICIPALITY HAS BEEN CONTACTED AND CANNOT SECURE ANY OF THE JUSTICES WITHIN THE CONTIGUOUS BOUNDARY; AND
- 5 C. THE JUSTICE IS ASSIGNED PURSUANT TO AN EMERGENCY PLAN THAT MAY BE 6 ESTABLISHED BY THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COURTS WITHIN THE JURIS-7 DICTION WHEN THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER PARAGRAPHS A AND B OF THIS SUBDIVI-

8 SION HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED.

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S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.