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AN ACT in relation to appointment of certain nonjudicial officers and employees of the unified court system

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

1 Section 1. Legislative findings and intent. The legislature hereby
2 finds that it has long been the practice that certain nonjudicial offi-
3 cers and employees of the unified court system in court security posi-
4 tions received supplemental compensation in the form of collectively
5 bargained assignment differentials. This compensation has been paid in
6 recognition of the special supervisory duties performed by such nonjudi-
7 cial officers and employees. The legislature further finds that the
8 chief administrator of the courts eliminated this practice, and trans-
9 ferred the duties heretofore performed by court security personnel
10 receiving assignment differentials to the holders of special court secu-
11 rity positions classified in the competitive class. The legislature also
12 finds that the instructors for the training academy for court security
13 within the city of New York, who received assignment differentials for
14 the performance of supervisory duties, have served more than five and,
15 in some instances, more than ten years in their positions; and that
16 these incumbents, by their training and experience in their positions,
17 have acquired invaluable expert knowledge and skill in the performance
18 of their duties on behalf of the court system and the administration of
19 justice. Accordingly, the legislature hereby declares that it is essen-
20 tial that means be provided to continue as permanent appointees security
21 positions having supervisory responsibilities within the city of New
22 York qualified incumbents of court security positions already performing
23 such supervisory duties. It is the purpose of this act, therefore, to

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

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1 provide an orderly method for continuing these incumbents in service
2 with the rights and tenure of permanent appointees.

3 S 2. (a) On such date as the chief administrator of the courts shall
4 establish nonjudicial positions having the title senior court-officer
5 sergeant, he or she also shall appoint to such positions those nonjudi-
6 cial officers and employees of the unified court system who serve in a
7 court within the city of New York and who, on such dates:

8 (1) serve in and have permanent competitive class status in positions
9 classified in one of the following titles:

10 (i) senior court officer;

11 (ii) senior court officer (JG 18); and

12 (2) received an assignment differential; and

13 (3) are presently assigned as instructors for the training academy for
14 court security within the city of New York.

15 (b) Each nonjudicial officer or employee appointed to a position
16 pursuant to this section shall have permanent competitive class status
17 in such position, without probationary period or further examination.

18 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.