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Introduced by Sen. SAMPSON -- (at request of the Office of Court Administration) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the family court act, in relation to judges of the family court

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

1 Section 1. Section 121 of the family court act, as amended by chapter
2 209 of the laws of 1990, is amended to read as follows:
3 S 121. Number of judges. The family court within the city of New York
4 shall consist of [forty-four judges and, as of July first, nineteen
5 hundred ninety, shall consist of forty-five judges and, as of April
6 first, nineteen hundred ninety-one, shall consist of forty-seven]
7 FIFTY-FOUR judges, EFFECTIVE JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN. [At least
8 one of the persons appointed to the office of judge of the family court
9 created by this section, shall be a resident of the county of Richmond
10 and hereafter there] THERE shall be at least one family court judge
11 resident in each county of the city of New York. [The amount of compensation
12 for such new family court judges shall be equal to the compensation
13 payable to existing family court judges in the city of New York.]
14 S 2. Section 131 of the family court act is amended by adding a new
15 subdivision (u) to read as follows:
16 (U) THERE SHALL BE AN ADDITIONAL FAMILY COURT JUDGE FOR EACH OF THE
17 FOLLOWING COUNTIES: ALBANY, BROOME, CHAUTAUQUA, CHEMUNG, ERIE, MONROE,
18 NASSAU, NIAGARA, ONEIDA, OSWEGO, ST. LAWRENCE, SCHENECTADY, SUFFOLK AND
19 WESTCHESTER. THE COMPENSATION OF EACH SUCH ADDITIONAL FAMILY COURT JUDGE
20 SHALL BE THE SAME AS THE COMPENSATION PAID TO EACH EXISTING FAMILY COURT
21 JUDGE IN THE COUNTY FOR WHICH IT IS ESTABLISHED.
22 S 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2010; provided, however,
23 the additional family court judges provided for by section two of this
24 act shall first be elected at the general election to be held in November
25 2009 and shall first take office January 1, 2010.

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

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