Public Law 97-471
97th Congress

An Act

To modify the judicial districts of West Virginia, and for other purposes.

Jan. 14, 1983
[S. 3105]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 129 of title 28, United States Code, is amended—

Judicial districts of West Virginia, modification.

(1) in subsection (a) by—
(A) striking out ", Wirt, and Wood";
(B) inserting "Braxton," after "Berkeley,";
(C) inserting "Pocahontas," after "Pleasants,";
(D) inserting "Webster, and" after "Upshur,"; and
(E) by striking out "Parkersburg,"; and
(2) in subsection (b) by—
(A) striking out "Braxton,", "Pocahontas," and "Webster,"; and
(B) inserting "Wirt, Wood," after "Wayne,"; and
(C) striking out "and Lewisburg." and inserting in lieu thereof "Lewisburg, and Parkersburg.".

SEC. 2. (a) The existing district judgeship for the Southern District of West Virginia, authorized by section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of additional district and circuit judges and for other purposes", approved October 20, 1978 (92 Stat. 1632; 28 U.S.C. 133 note), shall, as of the date of enactment of this Act, be authorized under section 133 of title 28 of the United States Code as a district judgeship for the Northern District of West Virginia, and the incumbent of that office shall henceforth hold office under section 133, as amended by this Act.

28 USC 133 note.

(b) The existing district judgeship for the Northern and Southern Districts of West Virginia shall be authorized as the district judgeship for the Southern District.

SEC. 3. The table in section 133 of title 28, United States Code, is amended by striking out the following:

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"West Virginia:
"Northern 1
"Southern 3
"Northern and Southern ..... 1",

and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"West Virginia:
"Northern 2
"Southern ..... 4".

Approved January 14, 1983.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 3105:

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