

1 SENATE BILL 197

2 **54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO COURTS; CREATING THE JUDGE PRO TEMPORE FUND TO PAY  
12 THE COSTS OF JUDGES PRO TEMPORE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] JUDGE PRO TEMPORE FUND--

16 CREATED.--The "judge pro tempore fund" is created in the state  
17 treasury, to be administered by the administrative office of  
18 the courts. The fund shall be used to pay the costs of judges  
19 pro tempore. The fund shall consist of appropriations, gifts,  
20 grants, donations and bequests made to the fund. Income from  
21 the fund shall be credited to the fund. Payments from the  
22 judge pro tempore fund shall be made pursuant to vouchers  
23 issued and signed by the director of the administrative office  
24 of the courts or the director's designee upon warrants drawn by  
25 the secretary of finance and administration.

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SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public  
peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.