

1-1 By: Castro (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 2936
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 27, 2011;
1-3 May 3, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 5, 2011, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 5, 2011, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the administration of district courts in Bexar County.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Section 24.139, Government Code, is amended by
1-11 amending Subsections (b), (d), and (e) and adding Subsection (e-1)
1-12 to read as follows:

1-13 (b) This section applies to the 37th, 45th, 57th, 73rd,
1-14 131st, 144th, 150th, 166th, 175th, 186th, 187th, 224th, 225th,
1-15 226th, 227th, 285th, 288th, 289th, ~~and~~ 290th, 379th, 386th,
1-16 399th, 407th, 408th, 436th, 437th, and 438th district courts in
1-17 Bexar County.

1-18 (d) The 144th, 175th, 186th, 187th, 226th, 227th, 289th,
1-19 and 290th, 379th, 399th, and 437th district courts shall give
1-20 preference to criminal cases. The terms of those courts begin on
1-21 the first Mondays in January and July. Each term continues until
1-22 the court has disposed of the business for that term.

1-23 (e) The terms of the 37th, 45th, 57th, 73rd, 131st, 150th,
1-24 166th, 224th, 225th, 285th, ~~and~~ 288th, 407th, 408th, and 438th
1-25 district courts begin on the first Mondays in January and July.

1-26 (e-1) The 386th and 436th district courts shall give
1-27 preference to juvenile matters under Title 3, Family Code. The
1-28 terms of those courts begin on the first Mondays in July and
1-29 January. Each term continues until the court has disposed of the
1-30 business for that term.

1-31 SECTION 2. Section 24.466(b), Government Code, is amended
1-32 to read as follows:

1-33 (b) The 289th District Court shall give primary preference
1-34 to juvenile matters ~~[cases and proceedings]~~ under Title ~~[27]~~ 3, ~~[or~~
1-35 ~~57]~~ Family Code, and secondary preference to criminal cases.

1-36 SECTION 3. Section 24.531(b), Government Code, is amended
1-37 to read as follows:

1-38 (b) The 386th District Court shall give preference to
1-39 juvenile matters under Title 3, Family Code.

1-40 SECTION 4. Section 24.580(b), Government Code, is amended
1-41 to read as follows:

1-42 (b) The 436th District Court shall give preference to
1-43 juvenile matters under Title 3, Family Code.

1-44 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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