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Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 709

BY REPRESENTATIVE GAROFALO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:203(A)(5) and R.S. 13:2592(A), relative to justices of the peace; to authorize a justice of the peace to perform marriage ceremonies within certain territorial limits; to provide for certain notification requirements when appointing an ad hoc justice of the peace; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 9:203(A)(5) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§203. Officiant; judges and justices of the peace

A. Judges and justices of the peace may perform marriage ceremonies within the following territorial limits:

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(5) A justice of the peace within the parish in which the court of that justice of the peace is situated, <u>and</u> in any parish within the same supreme court district<u>, or in a parish</u> ~~which~~ <u>that</u> has no justice of the peace court<u>, except for Orleans Parish</u>.

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Section 2. R.S. 13:2592(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2592. Justice of the peace ad hoc; appointment; qualifications

A. A justice of the peace may appoint a person residing within the territorial boundaries of the court as a justice of the peace ad hoc to serve for a maximum of thirty days in each year. <u>The justice of the peace must notify the office of the attorney general within seventy-two hours of the appointment and provide the name, address, and telephone number of the ad hoc justice of the peace.</u> The justice of the peace ad hoc shall meet the qualifications required by law for the office of justice of the peace. He shall be paid the same compensation from the same sources as is paid

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to the justice of the peace while he serves, and he shall during that time have the powers and duties of a regular justice of the peace.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

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