A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DESIGNATING SUBSTITUTE JUDGES ON THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 602-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§602-55 Panels; substitute judge. Parties shall be
- 4 entitled to a hearing before a panel of not less than three
- 5 intermediate appellate judges. In [the event] case of vacancy,
- 6 or if the number of available intermediate appellate judges is
- 7 insufficient to make up a panel because of [vacancy or]
- 8 disqualification, the chief justice of the supreme court may
- 9 designate circuit judges [or], retired intermediate appellate
- 10 judges, or retired supreme court justices to temporarily fill
- 11 [such] the vacancy or the need[-] to make up a panel. A judge
- 12 serving temporarily shall not be actively engaged in the
- 13 practice of law. Substitute judges shall be compensated per
- 14 diem at a rate of pay equivalent to that of associate
- 15 intermediate appellate judges."

- 1 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Judiciary Package; Intermediate Court of Appeals; Panels; Substitute Judges

Description:

Authorizes the Chief Justice to designate circuit court judges, retired intermediate appellate judges, or retired supreme court justices to temporarily fill a vacancy on the Intermediate Court of Appeals. (SD1)

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