LEGISLATIVE BILL 446

Approved by the Governor March 30, 1973

Introduced by Cavanaugh, 9

AN ACT to amend section 43-236, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, and section 43-233.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, relating to juvenile courts; to provide for selection of presiding judges and court personnel and the fixing of salaries as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 43-233.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, be amended to read as follows:

population of fifty thousand and not more than two hundred thousand population in which a separate juvenile court has been established, there shall be one judge of the separate juvenile court, and in each county of this state having more than two hundred thousand population in which a separate juvenile court has been established, there shall be two judges of the separate juvenile court. In counties having two judges of the separate juvenile court, the senior judge shall be the presiding judge upon the swearing in of the second judge, the senior judge in point of service as a juvenile court judge shall be the presiding judge. The next year and thereafter the judges shall rotate the office of presiding judge annually unless the judges agree to another system.

Sec. 2. That section 43-236, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

43-236. The <u>presiding</u> judge of a separate juvenile court shall appoint a chief juvenile probation officer and a sufficient number of assistant juvenile probation officers and other employees,-including-a-court reporter-when-needed, to carry out the work of the court. <u>Bach judge shall appoint his own court reporter and other necessary personal staff</u>. The chief juvenile probation officer shall be selected by the <u>presiding</u> judge with reference to his experience and understanding of problems of family life and child welfare, juvenile delinquency, community organization, and training in the recognition and treatment of behavior disorders. The salaries of the chief juvenile probation officer, the assistant juvenile

probation officers, if any, and the other employees of the separate juvenile court shall be fixed by the presiding judge, subject to the approval of the board of county commissioners or supervisors, and shall be paid out of the general fund of the county.

Sec. 3. That original section 43-236, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, and section 43-233.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, are repealed.