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# SENATE BILL No. 55

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 33-4-1-60.

**Synopsis:** Owen County magistrate. Allows the judge of the Owen circuit court to appoint a full-time magistrate to replace a court appointed referee. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

**Effective:** July 1, 2004.

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November 21, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 33-4-1-60 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 60. (a) The county of  
3 Owen shall be and constitute the seventy-eighth judicial circuit of the  
4 state of Indiana.

5 (b) The Owen circuit court has a standard small claims and  
6 misdemeanor division.

7 (c) **The judge of the Owen circuit court may appoint one (1)  
8 full-time magistrate under IC 33-4-7 to serve the court. The  
9 magistrate continues in office until removed by the judge. Funds  
10 may not be used to compensate both:**

11 (1) **a magistrate appointed by the court under this subsection;**  
12 **and**

13 (2) **a referee appointed by the court under the Indiana Rules  
14 of Court.**

15 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004] **If a court appoints a  
16 magistrate under IC 33-4-1-60(c), as added by this act, the  
17 magistrate replaces any referee appointed by the court under**



1 **Small Claims Rule 14 of the Indiana Rules of Court.**

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