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CHAPTER 35

CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGSINTER-DISTRICT PROBATION DEPARTMENT
[39-16-12 et seq]

(Senate Bill No. 3. By Senators Bishop, McVicker and Dunklee.)

AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE FORMATION OF INTER-JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATION DEPARTMENTS AND PRESCRIBING THE POWERS THEREOF.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Article 16, Chapter 39, Colorado Revised Statutes 1953, is hereby amended by adding thereto a section to be numbered 39-16-12 to read:

39-16-12. Inter-district probation department—personnel—(1) Any two or more contiguous judicial districts may, by the election of the district judges or a majority of the judges of each district, combine in the formation of an inter-district probation department.

(2) Said department, if created, shall have an administrative head who shall be appointed by the judges or the majority of the judges of the districts which comprise the inter-district probation department, and such administrative head shall be the chief probation officer of the department. The department shall consist of such other probation officers as may be appointed by the judge or judges of each district together with such administrative and clerical employees as may be required, who shall be appointed by the chief probation officer.

(3) The chief probation officer of an inter-district probation department shall receive such compensation and expenses and mileage allowances as are commensurate with the duties of his office, to be determined by the district judges of the said districts within the department with the approval of the county commissioners of the said

counties. The said chief probation officer shall be charged with the duty of administering the affairs of the department and supervising the probation officers and personnel of the department and conducting the department in accordance with the laws pertaining to probation and the rules of the district courts of the said districts.

(4) The salaries and expenses of the chief probation officer, probation officers and employees of the department shall be apportioned among the various counties of the department as now provided by law for such probation officers in individual judicial districts, and shall be payable at least monthly out of the general county funds.

(5) Any district which participates in an inter-district probation department may withdraw from said department by the election of the judges or a majority of the judges of said district, by giving written notice to the presiding judges of all other judicial districts affected. However such withdrawal shall not be effective until January 1 of the year following the written notification.

Section 2.—**Safety clause**—The General Assembly hereby finds, determines and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety.

Approved : February 14, 1958.