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SENATE BILL **249**

AN ACT relative to judicial performance evaluations.

SPONSORS: Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Rep. M. Smith, Straf 6

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill removes the requirement that the annual report on judicial performance evaluations include evaluation results for each judge evaluated.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

AN ACT relative to judicial performance evaluations.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 5:1 Judicial Performance Evaluations; Report. Amend RSA 490:32, VI to read as:

2 VI. The supreme court shall prepare a report on the implementation of the performance
3 evaluation program described in this section within one year of the effective date of this section and
4 submit such report to the governor, the speaker of the house, the president of the senate, and the
5 chairpersons of the house and senate judiciary committees. Such report shall be made available to
6 the public. The supreme court shall annually file a report on the evaluation process, including, but
7 not limited to, the number of evaluations performed by each court, the percentage of responses
8 received, and a summary of the overall evaluation results [~~for each judge evaluated~~] and all actions
9 taken to correct inadequacies and deficiencies. The annual report shall be submitted on or before
10 June 30 of each year to the governor, the speaker of the house, the president of the senate, and the
11 chairpersons of the house and senate judiciary committees. Such report shall be made available to
12 the public.

13 5:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

14 Approved: April 14, 2014

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