

EHB 2631

1 THE STATE SENATE
2 Thursday, April 03, 2008

3 ENGROSSED

4 House Bill No. 2631

5 As Amended

6 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2631 - By: Jordan and McCullough of the
7 House and Crain of the Senate.

8 An Act relating to courts; creating a panel of judges to
9 preside over complex litigation cases; requiring appointment
10 of different judge in certain cases on remand; providing
11 exception; providing for codification; and providing an
12 effective date.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 95.10 of Title 20, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, in the
18 event a civil case brought in a district court of the State of
19 Oklahoma is appealed, and is subsequently reversed and remanded, in
20 whole or in part, by final order of an appellate court of this
21 state, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Oklahoma **may**
22 appoint a different district court judge or associate district court
23 judge **upon application to the Supreme Court pursuant to rules**
24 **promulgated by the Court.**

25 B. If all parties are in agreement, the same district court
26 judge or associate district court judge presiding in the case prior

1 to appeal may preside over all proceedings in the case remanded to
2 the district court.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 4-1-08 - DO PASS,
5 As Amended.