

By Senator Crist

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See HB

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to judicial circuits; amending

3 s. 26.031, F.S.; providing for one or more

4 additional judges in each judicial circuit;

5 providing for appointment of new judges by the

6 Governor; providing an effective date.

8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Section 26.031, Florida Statutes, is

11 amended to read:

12 26.031 Judicial circuits; number of judges.--The

13 number of circuit judges in each circuit shall be as follows:

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	TOTAL
(1) First.....	<u>22</u> 21
(2) Second.....	<u>16</u> 15
(3) Third.....	<u>7</u> 6
(4) Fourth.....	<u>33</u> 31
(5) Fifth.....	<u>26</u> 25
(6) Sixth.....	<u>43</u> 41
(7) Seventh.....	<u>25</u> 24
(8) Eighth.....	<u>13</u> 12
(9) Ninth.....	<u>40</u> 38
(10) Tenth.....	<u>23</u> 22
(11) Eleventh.....	<u>76</u> 74
(12) Twelfth.....	<u>20</u> 19
(13) Thirteenth.....	<u>39</u> 37
(14) Fourteenth.....	<u>10</u> 9
(15) Fifteenth.....	<u>35</u> 34
(16) Sixteenth.....	<u>5</u> 4
(17) Seventeenth.....	<u>55</u> 53

1	(18) Eighteenth.....	<u>25</u>	24
2	(19) Nineteenth.....	<u>16</u>	15
3	(20) Twentieth.....	<u>24</u>	23
4	Section 2. <u>Judges filling new offices created by this</u>		
5	<u>act shall be appointed by the Governor.</u>		
6	Section 3. This act shall take effect March 1, 2005.		
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