

By Senator Saunders

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1                                   A bill to be entitled

2           An act relating to judges; amending s. 26.031,

3           F.S.; revising the number of circuit court

4           judges in the 20th judicial circuit; amending

5           s. 34.022, F.S.; revising the number of county

6           court judges in Collier County; providing for

7           the additional judges provided under the act to

8           be appointed by the Governor; providing an

9           appropriation and authorizing positions;

10          providing effective dates.

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

14           Section 1. Effective January 1, 2006, section 26.031,

15 Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 2005-150,

16 Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

17           26.031 Judicial circuits; number of judges.--The

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

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	TOTAL
(1) First.....	22
(2) Second.....	16
(3) Third.....	7
(4) Fourth.....	32
(5) Fifth.....	28
(6) Sixth.....	44
(7) Seventh.....	26
(8) Eighth.....	13
(9) Ninth.....	40
(10) Tenth.....	26
(11) Eleventh.....	77

1	(12) Twelfth.....	19
2	(13) Thirteenth.....	41
3	(14) Fourteenth.....	10
4	(15) Fifteenth.....	35
5	(16) Sixteenth.....	4
6	(17) Seventeenth.....	56
7	(18) Eighteenth.....	25
8	(19) Nineteenth.....	18
9	(20) Twentieth.....	<u>25</u> <del>23</del>
10	Section 2. Effective January 1, 2006, section 34.022,	
11	Florida Statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 2005-150,	
12	Laws of Florida, is amended to read:	
13	34.022 Number of county court judges for each	
14	county.--The number of county court judges in each county	
15	shall be as follows:	
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17	COUNTY	TOTAL
18	(1) Alachua.....	5
19	(2) Baker.....	1
20	(3) Bay.....	4
21	(4) Bradford.....	1
22	(5) Brevard.....	9
23	(6) Broward.....	28
24	(7) Calhoun.....	1
25	(8) Charlotte.....	2
26	(9) Citrus.....	1
27	(10) Clay.....	2
28	(11) Collier.....	<u>5</u> <del>3</del>
29	(12) Columbia.....	1
30	(13) DeSoto.....	1
31	(14) Dixie.....	1

1	(15)	Duval.....	16
2	(16)	Escambia.....	5
3	(17)	Flagler.....	1
4	(18)	Franklin.....	1
5	(19)	Gadsden.....	1
6	(20)	Gilchrist.....	1
7	(21)	Glades.....	1
8	(22)	Gulf.....	1
9	(23)	Hamilton.....	1
10	(24)	Hardee.....	1
11	(25)	Hendry.....	1
12	(26)	Hernando.....	2
13	(27)	Highlands.....	1
14	(28)	Hillsborough.....	17
15	(29)	Holmes.....	1
16	(30)	Indian River.....	2
17	(31)	Jackson.....	1
18	(32)	Jefferson.....	1
19	(33)	Lafayette.....	1
20	(34)	Lake.....	3
21	(35)	Lee.....	7
22	(36)	Leon.....	5
23	(37)	Levy.....	1
24	(38)	Liberty.....	1
25	(39)	Madison.....	1
26	(40)	Manatee.....	4
27	(41)	Marion.....	4
28	(42)	Martin.....	3
29	(43)	Miami-Dade.....	42
30	(44)	Monroe.....	4
31	(45)	Nassau.....	1

1	(46) Okaloosa.....	3
2	(47) Okeechobee.....	1
3	(48) Orange.....	16
4	(49) Osceola.....	3
5	(50) Palm Beach.....	18
6	(51) Pasco.....	5
7	(52) Pinellas.....	15
8	(53) Polk.....	9
9	(54) Putnam.....	2
10	(55) St. Johns.....	2
11	(56) St. Lucie.....	4
12	(57) Santa Rosa.....	2
13	(58) Sarasota.....	5
14	(59) Seminole.....	6
15	(60) Sumter.....	1
16	(61) Suwannee.....	1
17	(62) Taylor.....	1
18	(63) Union.....	1
19	(64) Volusia.....	10
20	(65) Wakulla.....	1
21	(66) Walton.....	1
22	(67) Washington.....	1

23           Section 3. The judges filling new offices created by  
24 this act shall be appointed by the Governor.

25           Section 4. The sums of \$517,568 in recurring funds and  
26 \$20,214 in nonrecurring funds are appropriated from the  
27 General Revenue Fund to the circuit and county courts for the  
28 2005-2006 fiscal year, and 9 full-time positions are  
29 authorized.

30           Section 5. Except as otherwise expressly provided in  
31 this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides for additional judges to be appointed by the Governor to the 20th judicial circuit and to the Collier County court.