

A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to judges; amending s. 26.031, F.S.;
 revising the number of circuit court judges in certain
 circuits; amending s. 34.022, F.S.; revising the number of
 county court judges in certain counties; amending s.
 35.06, F.S.; revising the number of appellate court judges
 in certain appellate districts; providing appropriations
 and authorizing positions; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Effective September 1, 2006, subsections (1),
 (2), (4) through (7), (9) through (14), and (17) through (20) of
 section 26.031, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of
 chapter 2005-356, Laws of Florida, are amended to read:

26.031 Judicial circuits; number of judges.--The number of
 circuit judges in each circuit shall be as follows:

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	TOTAL
(1) First.....	<u>23</u> 22
(2) Second.....	<u>17</u> 16
(4) Fourth.....	<u>33</u> 32
(5) Fifth.....	<u>30</u> 28
(6) Sixth.....	<u>45</u> 44
(7) Seventh.....	<u>27</u> 26
(9) Ninth.....	<u>41</u> 40
(10) Tenth.....	<u>27</u> 26

28 (11) Eleventh.....79 ~~77~~
 29 (12) Twelfth.....20 ~~19~~
 30 (13) Thirteenth.....43 ~~41~~
 31 (14) Fourteenth.....11 ~~10~~
 32 (17) Seventeenth.....57 ~~56~~
 33 (18) Eighteenth.....26 ~~25~~
 34 (19) Nineteenth.....19 ~~18~~
 35 (20) Twentieth.....27 ~~25~~

36 Section 2. Effective September 1, 2006, subsections (5),
 37 (6), (8), (11), (41), (48), (51), and (52) of section 34.022,
 38 Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 2005-356,
 39 Laws of Florida, are amended to read:

40 34.022 Number of county court judges for each county.--The
 41 number of county court judges in each county shall be as
 42 follows:

44 COUNTY	TOTAL
45 (5) Brevard.....	<u>11</u> 9
46 (6) Broward.....	<u>31</u> 28
47 (8) Charlotte.....	<u>3</u> 2
48 (11) Collier.....	<u>6</u> 5
49 (41) Marion.....	<u>5</u> 4
50 (48) Orange.....	<u>17</u> 16
51 (51) Pasco.....	<u>6</u> 5
52 (52) Pinellas.....	<u>17</u> 15

53 Section 3. Effective December 1, 2006, subsections (1),
 54 (4), (5), (7), (9) through (13), (17), and (20) of section

55 | 26.031, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter
 56 | 2005-356, Laws of Florida, and as amended by this act, are
 57 | amended to read:

58 | 26.031 Judicial circuits; number of judges.--The number of
 59 | circuit judges in each circuit shall be as follows:

61 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	TOTAL
62 (1) First.....	<u>24</u> 23
63 (4) Fourth.....	<u>35</u> 33
64 (5) Fifth.....	<u>32</u> 30
65 (7) Seventh.....	<u>28</u> 27
66 (9) Ninth.....	<u>43</u> 41
67 (10) Tenth.....	<u>28</u> 27
68 (11) Eleventh.....	<u>81</u> 79
69 (12) Twelfth.....	<u>21</u> 20
70 (13) Thirteenth.....	<u>45</u> 43
71 (17) Seventeenth.....	<u>59</u> 57
72 (20) Twentieth.....	<u>31</u> 27

73 | Section 4. Effective December 1, 2006, subsections (5),
 74 | (6), (12), (15), (35), (41), (43), and (48) through (53) of
 75 | section 34.022, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of
 76 | chapter 2005-356, Laws of Florida, and as amended by this act,
 77 | are amended to read:

78 | 34.022 Number of county court judges for each county.--The
 79 | number of county court judges in each county shall be as
 80 | follows:

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COUNTY	TOTAL
(5) Brevard.....	<u>12</u> 11
(6) Broward.....	<u>33</u> 31
(12) Columbia.....	<u>2</u> 1
(15) Duval.....	<u>17</u> 16
(35) Lee.....	<u>8</u> 7
(41) Marion.....	<u>5</u> 4
(43) Miami-Dade.....	<u>43</u> 42
(48) Orange.....	<u>18</u> 17
(49) Osceola.....	<u>4</u> 3
(50) Palm Beach.....	<u>19</u> 18
(51) Pasco.....	<u>7</u> 6
(52) Pinellas.....	<u>18</u> 17
(53) Polk.....	<u>10</u> 9

Section 5. Effective September 1, 2006, subsections (2) and (4) of section 35.06, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

35.06 Organization of district courts of appeal.--A district court of appeal shall be organized in each of the five appellate districts to be named District Court of Appeal, _____ District. The number of judges of each district court of appeal shall be as follows:

- (2) In the second district there shall be 15 ~~14~~ judges.
- (4) In the fourth district there shall be 13 ~~12~~ judges.

Section 6. One hundred and fifty-one full-time equivalent positions and 12,248,758 in associated salary rate are authorized, and the sums of \$11,727,792 in recurring funds and \$390,288 in nonrecurring funds are hereby appropriated from the

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109 | General Revenue Fund to the state courts for the 2006-2007
110 | fiscal year.

111 | Section 7. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
112 | act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.