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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Judiciary (Young) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment**

Delete lines 146 - 179  
and insert:

(b) Each administrative law judge shall be appointed for a 4-year term, but during his or her term of office may be removed by the chief administrative law judge for cause. Before the expiration of a judge's term of office, the statewide nominating commission shall review the judge's conduct and determine whether the judge's performance is satisfactory. In determining whether a judge's performance is satisfactory, the commission



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12 shall consider the extent to which the judge has met the  
13 requirements of this chapter. The commission shall report its  
14 finding to the chief administrative law judge no later than 6  
15 months before the expiration of the judge's term of office. The  
16 chief administrative law judge shall review the commission's  
17 report and may reappoint the administrative law judge for an  
18 additional 4-year term. If the chief administrative law judge  
19 does not reappoint the judge, the chief administrative law judge  
20 shall inform the commission. The judge shall remain in office  
21 until the chief administrative law judge has appointed a  
22 successor judge in accordance with this subsection. If a vacancy  
23 occurs during a judge's unexpired term, the commission does not  
24 find the judge's performance satisfactory, or the chief  
25 administrative law judge does not reappoint the judge, the chief  
26 administrative law judge must appoint a successor judge for a 4-  
27 year term in accordance with paragraph (a).

28 (c) The chief administrative law judge shall appoint each  
29 administrative law judge by June 30, 2018, for a term beginning  
30 on July 1, 2018. For the term beginning on July 1, 2018,  
31 administrative law judges shall be appointed in the following  
32 manner: eight judges appointed to a 1-year term, eight judges  
33 appointed to a 2-year term, eight judges appointed to a 3-year  
34 term, and nine judges appointed to a 4-year term. Thereafter,  
35 each term of office shall be 4 years. Nothing herein limits a  
36 chief administrative law judge's ability to reappoint an  
37 administrative law judge to additional terms in accordance with  
38 this subsection.