

By the Committee on Appropriations

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to judges; amending s. 26.031, F.S.;

3 increasing the number of circuit judges in certain
4 judicial circuits; amending s. 34.022, F.S.;

5 increasing the number of county court judges in a
6 specified county; specifying that the judicial offices
7 created under the act be filled by gubernatorial
8 appointment; providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Subsections (1), (9), and (14) of section
13 26.031, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

14 26.031 Judicial circuits; number of judges.—The number of
15 circuit judges in each circuit shall be as follows:

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17	JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	TOTAL
18	(1) First.....	<u>25</u> 24
19	(9) Ninth.....	<u>46</u> 44
20	(14) Fourteenth.....	<u>12</u> 11

21 Section 2. Subsection (48) of section 34.022, Florida
22 Statutes, is amended to read:

23 34.022 Number of county court judges for each county.—The
24 number of county court judges in each county shall be as
25 follows:

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27	COUNTY	TOTAL
28	(48) Orange.....	<u>19</u> 18

29 Section 3. The judges filling new offices created by this

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30 act shall be appointed by the Governor.

31 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.