

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to judges; amending ss. 26.031 and  
 3           34.022, F.S.; revising the number of circuit court  
 4           judges and county court judges, respectively;  
 5           providing a declaration of important state interest;  
 6           providing an effective date.

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

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 10           Section 1. Subsections (1) and (20) of section 26.031,  
 11   Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

12           26.031 Judicial circuits; number of judges.—The number of  
 13   circuit judges in each circuit shall be as follows:

JUDICIAL CIRCUIT	TOTAL
(1) First.....	<u>26</u> <del>25</del>
(20) Twentieth	<u>32</u> <del>31</del>

17           Section 2. Subsections (12), (28), (48), and (57) of  
 18   section 34.022, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

19           34.022 Number of county court judges for each county.—The  
 20   number of county court judges in each county shall be as  
 21   follows:

COUNTY	TOTAL
(12) Columbia.....	<u>21</u>
(28) Hillsborough.....	<u>25</u> <del>23</del>
(48) Orange.....	<u>22</u> <del>19</del>

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27           Section 3. The Legislature finds and declares that this  
28 act fulfills an important state interest.

29           Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.