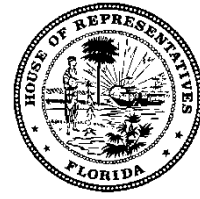




Ben Albritton
President of the Senate

THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE



Daniel Perez
*Speaker of the House of
Representatives*

June 13, 2025

The Honorable Ben Albritton
President of the Senate

The Honorable Daniel Perez
Speaker, House of Representatives

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Your Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on SB 2508, same being:

An act relating to Judges.

having met, and after full and free conference, do recommend to their respective houses as follows:

1. That the House of Representatives recede from its Amendment 345425.
2. That the Senate and House of Representatives adopt the Conference Committee Amendment attached hereto, and by reference made a part of this report.

<i>Senator Ed Hooper, Chair</i>	<i>Senator Kristen Aston Arrington</i>
<i>Senator Bryan Avila</i>	<i>Senator Lori Berman, At Large</i>
<i>Senator Mack Bernard</i>	<i>Senator Jim Boyd, At Large</i>
<i>Senator Jennifer Bradley</i>	<i>Senator Jason Brodeur, At Large</i>
<i>Senator Danny Burgess</i>	<i>Senator Colleen Burton</i>
<i>Senator Alexis Calatayud</i>	<i>Senator Jay Collins</i>
<i>Senator Tracie Davis</i>	<i>Senator Nick DiCeglie</i>
<i>Senator Don Gaetz</i>	<i>Senator Ileana Garcia</i>
<i>Senator Erin Grall</i>	<i>Senator Joe Gruters, At Large</i>
<i>Senator Gayle Harrell</i>	<i>Senator Blaise Ingolia</i>
<i>Senator Shevrin D. Jones</i>	<i>Senator Thomas J. Leek</i>
<i>Senator Jonathan Martin</i>	<i>Senator Stan McClain</i>
<i>Senator Rosalind Osgood</i>	<i>Senator Kathleen Passidomo, At Large</i>
<i>Senator Jason W. B. Pizzo</i>	<i>Senator Tina Scott Polsky</i>
<i>Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez</i>	<i>Senator Darryl Ervin Rouson, At Large</i>
<i>Senator Barbara Sharief</i>	<i>Senator Corey Simon</i>
<i>Senator Carlos Guillermo Smith</i>	<i>Senator Keith L. Truenow</i>
<i>Senator Jay Trumbull</i>	<i>Senator Tom A. Wright</i>
<i>Senator Clay Yarborough</i>	

Conferees on the part of the Senate

<i>Representative Patt Maney, Chair</i>	<i>Representative Lawrence McClure, Chair</i>
<i>Representative Daniel Antonio Alvarez</i>	<i>Representative Jessica Baker</i>
<i>Representative Omar Blanco</i>	<i>Representative David Borrero</i>
<i>Representative Robert Charles Brannan III, At Large</i>	<i>Representative James Buchanan, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Jennifer Canady, At Large</i>	<i>Representative Joe Casello, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Ryan Chamberlin</i>	<i>Representative Kevin D. Chambliss, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Nan Cobb</i>	<i>Representative Lindsay Cross</i>
<i>Representative Kimberly Daniels</i>	<i>Representative Fentrice Driskell, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Wyman Duggan, At Large</i>	<i>Representative Anna V. Eskamani, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Sam Garrison, At Large</i>	<i>Representative Karen Gonzalez Pittman</i>
<i>Representative Michael Gottlieb</i>	<i>Representative Christine Hunschofsky, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Berny Jacques</i>	<i>Representative Chad Johnson</i>
<i>Representative Traci Koster, At Large</i>	<i>Representative Lauren Melo, At Large</i>
<i>Representative James Vernon Mooney, Jr., At Large</i>	<i>Representative Tobin Rogers Overdorf, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Juan Carlos Porras</i>	<i>Representative Michele K. Rayner, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Felicia Simone Robinson, At Large</i>	<i>Representative William Cloud Robinson, At Large</i>
<i>Representative Tyler I. Sirois, At Large</i>	<i>Representative Kelly Skidmore</i>
<i>Representative David Smith</i>	<i>Representative John Snyder</i>
<i>Representative Allison Tant, At Large</i>	<i>Representative Josie Tomkow, At Large</i>

The Honorable Ben Albritton
The Honorable Daniel Perez
June 13, 2025
Page 4

Representative Kaylee Tuck, At Large

Representative Susan L. Valdés, At Large

Representative Marie Paule Woodson, At Large

Managers on the part of the House of Representatives

June 13, 2025

The Conference Committee Amendment for SB 2508, relating to Judges, conforms law to the appropriations provided in SB 2500, the Senate General Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Specifically, the amendment provides for the following.

Section 1 amends s. 26.031 to establish twenty-two new circuit court judgeships. The Second, Eighth, Fourteenth, and Nineteenth Judicial Circuit will each receive one additional judgeship. The Fourth, Seventh, Ninth, Tenth, Twelfth, and Fifteenth Judicial Circuit will each receive two additional judgeships. The Fifth and the Eleventh Judicial Circuit will each receive three additional judgeships.

Section 2 amends s. 34.022 to establish fifteen new county court judgeships. Bay, Clay, Hernando, Lake, Manatee, Marion, Nassau, Osceola, Palm Beach, Polk, and Sumter County will each receive one additional judgeship. Miami-Dade County will receive four additional judgeships.

Section 3 amends s. 35.06 to establish two new district court of appeal judgeships in the sixth district. Provides that the number of judgeships in the second district shall be reduced by one until 13 judges remain in the second district upon each occurrence of a vacancy.

Section 4 provides that the Legislature finds and declares that this act fulfills an important state interest.

Section 5 provides an effective date of July 1, 2025.