

By the Committees on Criminal Justice; and Judiciary; and Senator Bradley

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Justice Administrative Commission; amending s. 43.16, F.S.; revising the membership of the Justice Administrative Commission; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 43.16, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

43.16 Justice Administrative Commission; membership, powers and duties.—

(2) Members of the Justice Administrative Commission shall serve for a period of 2 years, with the terms of each dating from July 1, 1985, except that initially, one state attorney member and one public defender member shall each serve a 1-year term. Members shall be selected in the following manner:

(a) Three Two state attorneys, to be appointed by the president of the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association.

(b) Two public defenders, to be appointed by the president of the Florida Public Defender Association.

(c) One criminal defense attorney who is not employed by the government and who has contracted with the commission to provide services pursuant to s. 27.40 within the 5 years preceding his or her appointment, to be appointed by the president of The Florida Bar Board of Governors.

(d) One circuit judge, or senior judge serving on a circuit court, to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.