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SENATE BILL NO. 71

FLOOR AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by Delegate Cranwell

on March 1, 1994)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Holland, E.M.)

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 16.1-69.6:1 and 17-119.1:2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the number of circuit and district court judges.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 16.1-69.6:1 and 17-119.1:2 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 16.1-69.6:1. (For effective date - See note) Number of judges.

For the several judicial districts there shall be full-time general district court judges and juvenile and domestic relations district court judges, the number as hereinafter set forth, who shall during their service reside within their respective districts, except as provided in § 16.1-69.16, and whose compensation and powers shall be the same as now and hereafter prescribed for general district court judges and juvenile and domestic relations district court judges.

The number of judges of the districts shall be as follows:

	Juvenile and Domestic	
	General District Court	Relations District
	Judges	Court Judges
First	3	2
Second	6	5
Two-A	The General and Juvenile	
	and Domestic Relations	
	District Court 1	1
Third	3	2
Fourth	6	4
Fifth	2	2
Sixth	3	2
Seventh	3	3
Eighth	3	2
Ninth	3	2
Tenth	3	2
Eleventh	2	2
Twelfth	3 4	3
Thirteenth	8	4
Fourteenth	4	2 3

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57	Fifteenth	5	4
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59	Sixteenth	4	3
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61	Seventeenth	3	2
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63	Eighteenth	2	1 2
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65	Nineteenth	10	6
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67	Twentieth	3	2
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69	Twenty-first	2	2
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71	Twenty-second	2	2 3
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73	Twenty-third	5	3 4
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75	Twenty-fourth	4	3 4
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77	Twenty-fifth	5	3
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79	The general district court judges of the twenty-fifth district shall render assistance on a regular basis		
80	to the general district court judges of the twenty-sixth district by appropriate designation.		
81	Twenty-sixth	4	2 3
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83	Twenty-seventh	4	3
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85	Twenty-eighth	2	2
86			
87	Twenty-ninth	3	2
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89	Thirtieth	2	2
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91	Thirty-first	4	4
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93	The election or appointment of any district judge shall be subject to the provisions of § 16.1-69.9:3.		
94	§ 17-119.1:2. Number of judges; residence requirement; compensation; powers; etc.		
95	A. For the several judicial circuits there shall be judges, the number as hereinafter set forth, who		
96	shall during their service reside within their respective circuits and whose compensation and powers		
97	shall be the same as now and hereafter prescribed for circuit judges. The judges in office when this shall		
98	take effect shall continue in office for the term for which elected or appointed.		
99	The number of judges of the circuits shall be as follows:		
100	First - 3		
101	Second - 10		
102	Third - 4		
103	Fourth - 9		
104	Fifth - 3		
105	Sixth - 2		
106	Seventh - 4		
107	Eighth - 3		
108	Ninth - 4		
109	Tenth - 3		
110	Eleventh - 3		
111	Twelfth - 4		
112	Thirteenth - 8		
113	Fourteenth - 4		
114	Fifteenth - 5		

115 Sixteenth - 4 5
116 Seventeenth - 4
117 Eighteenth - 3
118 Nineteenth - 15
119 Twentieth - 3
120 Twenty-first - 2
121 Twenty-second - 3
122 Twenty-third - 5 6
123 Twenty-fourth - 5
124 Twenty-fifth - 4
125 Twenty-sixth - 5
126 Twenty-seventh - 4
127 Twenty-eighth - 2
128 Twenty-ninth - 3
129 Thirtieth - 3
130 Thirty-first - 5

131 B. On and after January 1, 1975, no additional circuit court judge shall be authorized or provided for
132 any judicial circuit until the Judicial Council has made a study of the need for such additional circuit
133 court judge and has reported its findings and recommendations to the Courts of Justice Committees of
134 the House of Delegates and Senate. Nor shall the boundary of any judicial circuit be changed until a
135 study has been made by the Judicial Council and a report of its findings and recommendations made to
136 said Committees.

137 C. If the Judicial Council finds the need for an additional circuit court judge after a study is made
138 pursuant to subsection B, the study shall be made available to the State Compensation Board and the
139 Courts of Justice Committees of the House of Delegates and Senate. The State Compensation Board
140 shall make a study of the need to provide additional courtroom security and deputy court clerk staffing.
141 This study shall be reported to the Courts of Justice Committees of the House of Delegates and the
142 Senate, and to the Department of Planning and Budget.