

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2085

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE AUSTIN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 478.437, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to judgeships.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 478.437, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 478.437 and 478.740, to read as follows:

478.437. **1.** The circuit court of the county of St. Louis, comprising circuit number twenty-one, shall be composed of nineteen divisions and nineteen judges and each of the judges shall separately try causes, exercise the powers and perform all the duties imposed upon circuit judges.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 478.320 to the contrary, if the circuit court of St. Louis County is awarded additional associate circuit judge positions in 2014 in accordance with subsections 1 and 2 of section 478.320, there shall be one additional associate circuit judge position and one additional circuit judge position in lieu of the additional associate circuit judge positions awarded under subsections 1 and 2 of section 478.320.

478.740. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 478.320 to the contrary, if the thirty-eighth judicial circuit is awarded an additional associate circuit judge position in 2014 in accordance with subsections 1 and 2 of section 478.320, there shall be one additional circuit judge position in lieu of the additional associate circuit judge position awarded under subsections 1 and 2 of section 478.320. Such additional circuit judge position shall be in addition to the number of circuit judge and associate judge positions in existence in the thirty-eight judicial circuit on the effective date of this section, with at

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 8 **least one circuit judge appointed for Taney County and at least one circuit judge appointed**
9 **for Christian County.**

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