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Upon voter approval this proposed Constitutional amendment requires the election (as opposed to appointment and confirmation) of all types of state judges including associate circuit judges, circuit judges, appellate judges, and supreme court judges. The election requirement will begin in 2020 and existing judges will hold office until the end of their current terms. The term in office for all types of state judges will be reduced from six years to 12 years, and the age requirement for service as an associate circuit or circuit judges will be lowered from 30 years to 28 years of age.