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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 478.570 and 478.600, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to judicial circuits.

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

Section A. Sections 478.570 and 478.600, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 478.570 and 478.600, to read as follows:

478.570. 1. There shall be two circuit judges in the seventeenth judicial circuit consisting of the counties of Cass and Johnson. These judges shall sit in divisions numbered one and two.

2. The circuit judge in division two shall be elected in 1980. The circuit judge in division one shall be elected in 1982.

3. Beginning on January 1, 2006, there shall be one additional associate circuit judge position in Cass County than is provided under section 478.320.

478.600. 1. There shall be four circuit judges in the eleventh judicial circuit consisting of the county of St. Charles. These judges shall sit in divisions numbered one, two, three and four. **Beginning on January 1, 2007, there shall be six circuit judges in the eleventh judicial circuit and these judges shall sit in divisions numbered one, two, three, four, five, and seven. The division five associate circuit judge position and the division seven associate circuit judge position shall become circuit judge positions beginning January 1, 2007, and shall be numbered as divisions five and seven.**

2. The circuit judge in division two shall be elected in 1980. The circuit judge in

division four shall be elected in 1982. The circuit judge in division one shall be elected in 1984. The circuit judge in division three shall be elected in 1992. **The circuit judges in divisions five and seven shall be elected for a six-year term in 2006.**

3. Beginning January 1, 2007, the family court commissioner positions in the eleventh judicial circuit appointed under section 487.020, RSMo, shall become associate circuit judge positions in all respects and shall be designated as divisions nine and ten respectively. These positions shall retain the duties and responsibilities with regard to the family court. The associate circuit judges in divisions nine and ten shall be elected in 2006 for full four-year terms.

4. Beginning on January 1, 2007, the drug court commissioner position in the eleventh judicial circuit appointed under section 478.003 shall become an associate circuit judge position in all respects and shall be designated as division eleven. This position retains the duties and responsibilities with regard to the drug court. Such associate circuit judge shall be elected in 2006 for a full four-year term. This associate circuit judgeship shall not be included in the statutory formula for authorizing additional associate circuit judgeships per county under section 478.320.

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