SECOND REGULAR SESSION HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 871

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 478.375, 478.600, 478.625, and 488.2250, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to court administration.

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

Section A. Sections 478.375, 478.600, 478.625, and 488.2250, RSMo, are repealed and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 478.600, 478.625, and 488.2250, to read as follows:

478.600. 1. There shall be four circuit judges in the eleventh judicial circuit. 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.

7 2. The circuit judge in division two shall be elected in 1980. The circuit judge in
8 division four shall be elected in 1982. The circuit judge in division one shall be elected in 1984.
9 The circuit judge in division three shall be elected in 1992. The circuit judges in divisions five
10 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 shall become associate circuit judge positions
 in all respects and shall be designated as divisions nine and ten respectively. These positions
 may 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.
 Beginning on January 1, 2007, the drug court commissioner position in the eleventh

17 judicial circuit appointed under section 478.003 shall become an associate circuit judge position

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.

18 in all respects and shall be designated as division eleven. This position retains the duties and

19 responsibilities with regard to the drug court. Such associate circuit judge shall be elected in 20 2006 for a full four-year term. This associate circuit judgeship shall not be included in the

21 statutory formula for authorizing additional associate circuit judgeships per county under section

478.320.

5. Beginning in fiscal year 2015, there shall be one additional associate circuit judge position in the eleventh judicial circuit. The associate circuit judge shall be elected in 2016. This associate circuit judgeship shall not be included in the statutory formula for authorizing additional circuit judgeships per county under section 478.320. Beginning in fiscal year 2019, there shall be one additional associate circuit judge position in the eleventh judicial circuit. The associate circuit judge shall be elected in 2020. This associate circuit judgeship shall not be included in the statutory formula for authorizing additional circuit judgeships per

30 county under section 478.320.

478.625. 1. Beginning on January 1, 2003, there shall be three circuit judges in the 2 nineteenth judicial circuit consisting of the county of Cole.

3 2. One circuit judge shall be first elected in 1982. The second circuit judge shall be first
4 elected in 1984. The third circuit judge shall be first elected in 2002.

5 3. Effective January 1, [2003] 2021, in compliance with section 478.320, there shall
6 be [one less] two associate circuit [judge] judges in Cole County [than is provided pursuant to
7 section 478.320]. The second associate circuit judge shall be first elected in 2020.

488.2250. 1. For all appeal transcripts of testimony given [or proceedings in any circuit
court], the court reporter shall receive the sum of three dollars and fifty cents per legal page for
the preparation of a paper and an electronic version of the transcript.

2. In criminal cases where an appeal is taken by the defendant and it appears to the satisfaction of the court that the defendant is unable to pay the costs of the transcript for the purpose of perfecting the appeal, the court reporter shall receive a fee of two dollars and sixty cents per legal page for the preparation of a paper and an electronic version of the transcript.

8 3. Any judge, in his or her discretion, may order a transcript of all or any part of the 9 evidence or oral proceedings and the court reporter shall receive the sum of two dollars and sixty 10 cents per legal page for the preparation of a paper and an electronic version of the transcript.

4. For purposes of this section, a legal page, other than the first page and the final page of the transcript, shall be twenty-five lines, approximately eight and one-half inches by eleven inches in size, with the left-hand margin of approximately one and one-half inches, and with the right-hand margin of approximately one-half inch.

5. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the payment of court reporter's fees provided
in subsections 2 and 3 of this section shall be made by the state upon a voucher approved by the

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- 17 court. The cost to prepare all other transcripts of testimony or proceedings shall be borne by the
- 18 party requesting their preparation and production, who shall reimburse the court reporter [the
- 19 sum provided in subsection 1 of this section].
 - [478.375. At such time as a new jail or law enforcement center is constructed within the sixth judicial circuit, a new circuit judgeship shall be
- 2 constructed within the sixth judicial circuit, a new circuit ju
 3 added.]
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