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3 By Senator Sanders
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would create an additional district
9 judgeship, designated district judgeship number 2, in the
10 Fourth Judicial Circuit, comprised of Dallas County. The bill
11 would provide that the initial district judgeship would be
12 filled by election at the general election in 2010. The bill
13 would make an appropriation from the State General Fund to
14 fund the judgeship.

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16 A BILL

17 TO BE ENTITLED

18 AN ACT

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20 To create an additional district judgeship in the Fourth
21 Judicial Circuit; to provide for the election of the first judge to fill
22 the position at the general election in 2010; and to provide for an
23 appropriation from the State General Fund to fund the additional judgeship.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. There is created an additional district judgeship
26 for the Fourth Judicial Circuit which shall be designated judgeship number
27 2. This judgeship shall be filled by election at the general election in

1 2010 following its preclearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of
2 1965, 42 U.S.C. § 1973c. The first judge elected pursuant to this section
3 shall serve for a six-year term, holding office from the first Monday
4 following the second Tuesday in January after the general election at which
5 that judge is elected.

6 Section 2. The judge elected as provided in Section 1 shall
7 have and shall exercise all the jurisdiction, power, rights, and authority
8 and shall possess all of the qualifications, perform all of the duties, and
9 shall be subject to all of the responsibilities and duties of the office to
10 which other district judges are subject.

11 Section 3. The annual compensation of the district judge
12 appointed or elected pursuant to this act shall be in accordance with
13 Chapter 10A, Title 12, Code of Alabama 1975, including, but not limited to,
14 the provisions that no district judge first elected or appointed to office
15 after October 1, 2001, shall be provided a salary supplement or expense
16 allowance.

17 Section 4. There is hereby appropriated from the State General
18 Fund such additional funds as may be required, as determined by the
19 Director of Finance, to fully fund the additional judgeship provided for by
20 this act for the fiscal year the judgeship is filled pursuant to this act.

21 Section 5. This act shall become effective immediately
22 following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise
23 becoming law.