

1 SB409
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3 By Senators Whatley and Dial
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would create an additional
9 circuit judgeship, designated Circuit Judgeship
10 Number 4, in the Thirty-seventh Judicial Circuit
11 comprised of Lee County. This bill would provide
12 for the election of the judge at the 2016 general
13 election or the next general election thereafter.

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15 A BILL
16 TO BE ENTITLED
17 AN ACT
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19 To provide for an additional circuit judgeship in
20 the Thirty-seventh Judicial Circuit comprised of Lee County;
21 and to provide for the election of the judge.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

23 Section 1. There is created an additional circuit
24 judgeship for the Thirty-seventh Judicial Circuit which shall
25 be designated Circuit Judgeship Number 4.

26 Section 2. (a) Circuit Judgeship Number 4 shall be
27 filled at the general election held in November 2016, or the

1 next general election thereafter, provided the judgeship has
2 been precleared under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of
3 1965, 42 U.S.C. §1973c.

4 (b) The first judge elected to Circuit Judgeship
5 Number 4 shall serve for a six-year term, holding office from
6 the first Monday following the second Tuesday in January after
7 the 2016 general election or the next general election
8 thereafter at which that judge is elected.

9 (c) The judge elected to Circuit Judgeship Number 4
10 shall have and shall exercise all the jurisdiction, power,
11 rights, and authority and shall possess all of the
12 qualifications, perform all of the duties, and shall be
13 subject to all of the responsibilities and duties of the
14 office to which other circuit judges are subject.

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

21 Section 4. This act shall become effective
22 immediately following its passage and approval by the
23 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.