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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would create an additional circuit judgeship, designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 9, in the Twenty-third Judicial Circuit comprised of Madison County, an additional circuit judgeship, designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 4, in the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit comprised of Autauga, Chilton, and Elmore Counties, and an additional circuit judgeship, designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 6, in the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit comprised of Baldwin County.

This bill would provide for the authority of the judges and for the compensation and benefits of the judges.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To provide for an additional circuit judgeship in the Twenty-third Judicial Circuit comprised of Madison County; to provide for an additional circuit judgeship in the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit comprised of Autauga, Chilton, and Elmore Counties; to provide for an additional circuit judgeship in



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29 the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit comprised of Baldwin
30 County; and to provide for the authority of the judges and for
31 the compensation and benefits of the judges.

32 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

33 Section 1. (a) (1) There is created an additional
34 circuit judgeship for the Twenty-third Judicial Circuit which
35 shall be designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 9.

36 (2) There is created an additional circuit judgeship
37 for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit which shall be designated
38 as Circuit Judgeship Number 4. The judge elected to Judgeship
39 Number 4 may reside in any county within the Nineteenth
40 Judicial Circuit. The judge occupying Judgeship Number 4 shall
41 be assigned to the domestic relations division of the circuit.

42 (3) There is created an additional circuit judgeship
43 for the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit which shall be
44 designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 6.

45 (b) Circuit Judgeship Number 9 in the Twenty-third
46 Judicial Circuit, Circuit Judgeship Number 4 in the Nineteenth
47 Judicial Circuit, and Circuit Judgeship Number 6 in the
48 Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit shall be filled at the next
49 general election after July 1, 2023.

50 (c) The initial judges elected to the additional
51 circuit judgeships created pursuant to subsection (a) shall
52 serve for a six-year term holding office from the first Monday
53 following the second Tuesday in January after the general
54 election at which the judges are elected.

55 (d) The initial judges elected to the additional
56 circuit judgeships created pursuant to subsection (a) shall



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57 have and shall exercise all the jurisdiction, power, rights,
58 and authority and shall possess all of the qualifications,
59 perform all of the duties, and shall be subject to all of the
60 responsibilities and duties of the office to which other
61 circuit judges are subject.

62 (e) The annual compensation of the additional circuit
63 judges elected pursuant to subsection (a) shall be in
64 accordance with Chapter 10A of Title 12, Code of Alabama 1975,
65 including, but not limited to, the provision that no circuit
66 judge first elected or appointed to office after October 1,
67 2001, may be provided a salary supplement or expense
68 allowance.

69 Section 2. This act shall become effective July 1,
70 2023, following its passage and approval by the Governor, or
71 its otherwise becoming law.

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