

1 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted
2 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 7,
3 2006.

4 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election
5 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
6 to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall
7 read as follows:

8 To provide that the qualifications necessary for election to judicial office
9 require that a person shall have been admitted to the practice of law in the
10 state of Louisiana for at least ten years prior to his election to the supreme
11 court, court of appeal, district court, family court, parish court, or court
12 having solely juvenile jurisdiction. Effective January 1, 2007, and applicable
13 to any person who qualifies for election to the office of judge or who is
14 elected on or after January 1, 2007. (Amends Article V, Section 24)

15 Section 4. Be it further resolved that the provisions of this Amendment shall become
16 effective on January 1, 2007, and shall be applicable to any person who qualifies for election
17 to the office of judge or who is elected on or after January 1, 2007.

DIGEST

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HB No. 13

Abstract: Provides for the qualifications of office for a judge of the supreme court, court of appeal, district court, family court, parish court, or court having solely juvenile jurisdiction.

Present constitution requires that a judge of the supreme court, a court of appeal, district court, family court, parish court, or court having solely juvenile jurisdiction has been admitted to the practice of law in the state of La. for at least five years prior to his election.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the qualifications necessary to run for judicial office require that a person shall have been admitted to the practice of law in this state for at least 10 years prior to his election to the supreme court, court of appeal, district court, family court, parish court, or court having solely juvenile jurisdiction.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution that requires a judge to have been domiciled in his district, circuit, or parish for the two years preceding his election and prohibits a judge from practicing law.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held November 7, 2006.

Effective Jan. 1, 2007. Applicable to any person qualifying for election to the office of judge or who is elected on or after Jan. 1, 2007.

(Amends Const. Art. V, §24)