## 2019 Regular Session

### HOUSE BILL NO. 55

### BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT JOHNSON

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4715.3(A) and (B), relative to facilities of certain judicial
3	districts; to provide relative to a justice center district in Avoyelles Parish, which is
4	authorized to levy taxes and finance, own, and maintain facilities for the Twelfth
5	Judicial District; to provide relative to governance of the district; and to provide for
6	related matters.
7	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
8	as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
9	Louisiana.
10	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
11	Section 1. R.S. 33:4715.3(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
12	follows:
13	§4715.3. Parish justice center district; certain parishes Avoyelles Parish Justice
14	Center District
15	A.(1) There is hereby created within any parish having a population of not
16	less than forty-one thousand five hundred people and not more than forty-five
17	thousand people as determined by the most recent federal decennial census
18	Avoyelles Parish a body politic and corporate which shall be known as the parish
19	justice center district Avoyelles Parish Justice Center District, hereafter in this
20	Section referred to as the "district". The district shall have boundaries coterminous
21	with the parish. The district shall be a political subdivision of the state as defined in
22	the Constitution of Louisiana.

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1	(2) The purposes of the district are to locate, build, operate, and maintain
2	courtroom facilities for the Twelfth Judicial District Court for the state of Louisiana
3	that judicial district that encompasses the district, hereafter in this Section referred
4	to as the "judicial district", including all matters relating to incurring debt and
5	financing such activities as approved by the voters, all as more specifically
6	prescribed by this Section. Such These courtroom facilities shall for the judicial
7	district may include offices for judges, clerks of court and support staff, jury rooms,
8	accommodations for the public, and other facilities deemed appropriate for
9	administration of justice by the governing authority of the district. <u>The courtroom</u>
10	facilities shall be located anywhere within the boundaries of the judicial district as
11	may be deemed appropriate by the board of commissioners of the Avoyelles Parish
12	Justice Center District.
13	B. The district shall be governed by a board of commissioners consisting of
14	not less than three nor more than seven members appointed by and serving at the
15	pleasure of the elected judges of the judicial district.
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17	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
18	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
19	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
20	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become

21 effective on the day following such approval.

## SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

# GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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