DIGEST

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HB 442 Engrossed

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Abstract: Creates an additional judgeship for the 21st Judicial District Court and provides an election section from which the judge is to be elected.

Statistical summaries of <u>proposed law</u> including maps illustrating proposed district boundaries accompany this digest. (Attached to the bill version on the internet.)

<u>Present law</u> provides that the 21st Judicial District Court is comprised of Livingston, St. Helena, and Tangipahoa Parishes. Provides that the 21st Judicial District Court has nine judges, who are elected at large.

Proposed law adds a 10th judge to the 21st Judicial District Court.

<u>Proposed law</u> divides the 21st Judicial District Court into two election sections and provides that nine judges are assigned to election section one and one judge is assigned to election section two.

Provides that the additional judge added by <u>proposed law</u> shall be elected from election section two and that his initial term begins on Jan. 1, 2025.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 13:477(21) and 621.21(A) and (E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on House and Governmental</u> Affairs to the original bill:

- 1. Provide the specific boundaries of two election sections.
- 2. Provide an effective date.