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ACT No. 474

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 662

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:61(E), relative to the Judicial Council; to provide relative to the review of judicial districts and appellate circuits; to provide for annual reporting; to provide relative to judgeships; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:61(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§61. Judicial Council

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E. The Judicial Council shall have the authority to conduct an annual review of judicial districts and appellate circuits and not later than March 1, 2007, shall provide information and recommendations to the legislature on the appropriate number of district and appellate court judgeships within each district or circuit based upon caseload, population, or other pertinent factors, including the findings and recommendations of the Judicial Structure Task Force established by House Resolution No. 30 of the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature. The recommendations may include proposed revisions to specific constitutional or statutory language addressing the number of such judges in each district or circuit, the need for district or circuit merger or other actions, and the filling of judicial office vacancies in such district or circuit.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____________________

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