

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 53

BY REPRESENTATIVES JEFFERSON AND MCFARLAND

JUDGES: Provides relative to the election of judges for the 2nd JDC

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:621.2 and to repeal Act No. 669 of the 1999 Regular Session

3 of the Legislature, relative to the election of judges for the Second Judicial District;

4 to eliminate the requirement that judges reside in a specific parish of the Second

5 Judicial District; to require judges of the Second Judicial District Court to be elected

6 at large from the Second Judicial District; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 13:621.2 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §621.2. Second judicial district

10 The Second Judicial District Court shall have three judges who shall be

11 elected at large from the Second Judicial District for six-year terms.

12 Section 2. Act No. 669 of the 1999 Regular Session of the Legislature is hereby

13 repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Eliminates the requirement that the judges of the Second Judicial District Court reside in specific parishes of the district.

Present law provides for three district court judges in the Second Judicial District Court to be elected from the district at large for six-year terms.

Proposed law retains the present law provision for the election of judges from the district at large for six-year terms, but eliminates the requirement that the judge who presides over Division "A" be a resident of Claiborne Parish, that the judge who presides over Division "B" be a resident of Jackson Parish, and that the judge who presides over Division "C" be a resident of Bienville Parish.

(Amends R.S. 13:621.2; Repeals Act No. 669 of the 1999 R.S.)