
SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2021 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to Original Senate Bill No. 163
by Senator McMath

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 5, between "population;" and "to specify" insert the following:

3 "to provide for the redistricting of supreme court districts; to provide for two
4 additional supreme court justices;"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 1, delete lines 11 through 17 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 4 in their entirety
7 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

8 "§3. Supreme Court; Composition; Judgments; Terms

9 Section 3. **(A) Effective until January 1, 2025, The the** supreme court shall
10 be composed of a chief justice and six associate justices, four of whom must concur
11 to render judgment. The term of a supreme court judge shall be ten years.

12 **(B) Effective on January 1, 2025, the supreme court shall be composed**
13 **of a chief justice and eight associate justices, five of whom must concur to**
14 **render judgment. The term of a supreme court justice shall be ten years.**

15 §4. Supreme Court; Districts

16 Section 4. **(A)** The state shall be divided into ~~at least six~~ supreme court
17 districts, and ~~at least one judge~~ **justice** shall be elected from each. The districts ~~and~~
18 ~~the number of judges assigned to each on the effective date of this constitution~~ are
19 ~~retained~~, subject to change by law enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of
20 each house of the legislature."

21 AMENDMENT NO. 3

22 On page 3. delete lines 5 through 8 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

23 "Do you support an amendment to reform the Louisiana Supreme Court to
24 require court districts be more equal in population with a court comprised of
25 nine justices?"

26 (Amends Article V, Sec. 3 and 4)"