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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2021 Regular Session

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

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, after "Court;" delete the rest of the line and, on line 4, delete "court;"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

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

5 "to provide for the redistricting of supreme court districts; to provide for two  
6 additional supreme court justices;"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

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

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

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

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

17 §4. Supreme Court; Districts

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

23 AMENDMENT NO. 4

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

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

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