

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 235

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

JUDGES/DISTRICT: Provides relative to certain judgeships in the Twenty-First Judicial District

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 13:621.21(C)(3), relative to judgeships in the Twenty-First Judicial District;
3 to provide for subject matter jurisdiction; to provide for compensation; and to
4 provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:621.21(C)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §621.21. Twenty-First Judicial District

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9 C.(1)

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11 (3)(a) There is hereby recognized an additional district judgeship for the
12 Twenty-First Judicial District for the parishes of Livingston, St. Helena, and
13 Tangipahoa. The additional judge herein provided for and his successors shall
14 preside over Division I, which is hereby recognized for purposes of nomination and
15 election only. The additional judge and his successors shall be elected at large and
16 shall have jurisdiction throughout the district. The subject matter jurisdiction of
17 Division I is limited, under the provisions of Article V, Section 15(A) of the
18 Constitution of Louisiana, to juvenile matters, as provided by law, including cases
19 arising under the Children's Code of Louisiana, and under R.S. 46:236.1.1 et seq.
20 The additional judge and his successors shall receive the same compensation and

1 expense allowances, payable from the same sources and in the same manner, as are
2 now or may hereafter be provided for other judges of the district.

3 (b) The individual to be elected to the additional judgeship created by this
4 Act for the Twenty-First Judicial District shall be elected as provided by Article V,
5 Section 22 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and shall serve a term which shall begin
6 on January 1, 2009, and which shall expire at the same time as is provided by law for
7 the other judges of the court. Thereafter, the successors to the judge provided for in
8 this Act for the Twenty-First Judicial District shall be elected at the same time and
9 in the same manner and shall serve the same term as is now or may be provided
10 hereafter for other judges of the court.

11 (c) The provisions of this Act shall not reduce the term of office of any judge
12 of the Twenty-First Judicial District Court.

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14 Section 2. This Act is intended only to codify Section 2 of Act 3 of the 2007 Regular
15 Session and to retain all of the provisions of Section 1 of Act 3 of the 2007 Regular Session
16 as enacted by the legislature during the 2007 Regular Session.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the codification of Section 2 of Act 3 of the 2007 R.S. and retention of all of the provisions of Section 1 of Act 3 of the 2007 R.S.

Present law provides for nine judgeships in the 21st Judicial District.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law establishes a judgeship within the 21st Judicial District, Division I, which has subject matter jurisdiction limited to juvenile matters.

Proposed law retains present law and codifies Section 2 of Act 3 of the 2007 R.S. while retaining Section 1 of Act 3 of the 2007 R.S.

(Adds R.S. 13:621.21(C)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.