

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 662

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

1 AN ACT

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

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

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

7 §61. Judicial Council

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

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_