

1 Section 4. ~~The state shall be divided into at least six supreme court districts,~~
 2 ~~and at least one judge shall be elected from each. The districts and the number of~~
 3 ~~judges assigned to each on the effective date of this constitution are retained, subject~~
 4 ~~to change by law enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the~~
 5 ~~legislature.~~

6 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to
 7 the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 5,
 8 2024.

9 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election
 10 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
 11 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
 12 follows:

13 Do you support an amendment to eliminate supreme court districts and
 14 provide for the statewide election of supreme court justices?

15 (Amends Article V, Section 3 and repeals Article V, Section 4)

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Matt DeVille.

DIGEST

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Present constitution provides that the supreme court shall be composed of a chief justice and six associate justices, four of whom must concur to render judgment. Further provides that the term of a justice shall be ten years.

Present constitution provides that the state shall be divided into at least six supreme court districts, and at least one judge shall be elected from each. Further provides that the districts and number of judges assigned to each are subject to change by law enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains the composition of the court and length of term in present constitution and provides that each justice shall be elected statewide.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 5, 2024.

(Amends Const. Art. V, Sec. 3; repeals Const. Art. V, Sec. 4)