By: Representatives Compretta, Barnett (116th), Dedeaux, Fredericks, Guice, Ishee, Janus, Peranich, Ryan, Simpson To: Judiciary A; Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 771

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-31-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 2 AUTHORIZE TWO ADDITIONAL LEGAL ASSISTANTS IN THE SECOND CIRCUIT 3 COURT DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE 4 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 5 6 SECTION 1. Section 25-31-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 7 amended as follows: 8 25-31-5. (1) The following number of full-time legal 9 assistants are authorized in the following circuit court 10 districts: First Circuit Court District..... 11 (a) seven (7) legal assistants. 12 13 (b) Second Circuit Court District..... 14 ten (10) legal assistants. Third Circuit Court District..... 15 (C)16 four (4) legal assistants. Fourth Circuit Court District..... (d) 17 five (5) legal assistants. 18 Fifth Circuit Court District..... 19 (e) four (4) legal assistants. 20 21 (f) Sixth Circuit Court District..... two (2) legal assistants. 2.2 (g) Seventh Circuit Court District..... 23 nine (9) legal assistants. 24 25 Eighth Circuit Court District..... (h) two (2) legal assistants. 26 (i) Ninth Circuit Court District..... 27 28 two (2) legal assistants. 771 H. B. No.

99\HR07\R718 PAGE 1 29 (j) Tenth Circuit Court District..... 30 four (4) legal assistants. 31 Eleventh Circuit Court District..... (k) five (5) legal assistants. 32 Twelfth Circuit Court District three..... 33 (1) (3) legal assistants. 34 35 Thirteenth Circuit Court District..... (m) two (2) legal assistants. 36 37 (n) Fourteenth Circuit Court District..... 38 three (3) legal assistants. Fifteenth Circuit Court District..... 39 (0) 40 four (4) legal assistants. Sixteenth Circuit Court District..... 41 (p) four (4) legal assistants. 42 Seventeenth Circuit Court District..... 43 (q) 44 five (5) legal assistants. 45 Eighteenth Circuit Court District..... (r) 46 two (2) legal assistants. 47 Nineteenth Circuit Court District..... (s) four (4) legal assistants. 48 49 (t) Twentieth Circuit Court..... District four (4) legal assistants. 50 51 (u) Twenty-first Circuit Court District..... 52 two (2) legal assistants. Twenty-second Circuit Court District..... 53 (v) 54 two (2) legal assistants. In addition to any legal assistants authorized pursuant 55 (2) to subsection (1) of this section, the following number of 56 full-time legal assistants are authorized (i) in the following 57 circuit court districts if funds are appropriated by the 58 59 Legislature to adequately fund the salaries, expenses and fringe 60 benefits of such legal assistants, or (ii) in any of the following 61 circuit court districts in which the board of supervisors of one 62 or more of the counties in a circuit court district adopts a H. B. No. 771 99\HR07\R718 PAGE 2

63 resolution to pay all of the salaries, supplemental pay, expenses and fringe benefits of legal assistants authorized in such 64 65 district pursuant to this subsection: First Circuit Court District..... 66 (a) 67 two (2) legal assistants. Second Circuit Court District..... (b) 68 two (2) legal assistants. 69 Third Circuit Court District..... 70 (C) 71 two (2) legal assistants. 72 (d) Fourth Circuit Court District..... 73 two (2) legal assistants. (e) Fifth Circuit Court District..... 74 two (2) legal assistants. 75 76 (f) Sixth Circuit Court District..... two (2) legal assistants. 77 78 (g) Seventh Circuit Court District..... 79 two (2) legal assistants. Eighth Circuit Court District..... 80 (h) 81 two (2) legal assistants. Ninth Circuit Court District..... 82 (i) 83 two (2) legal assistants. Tenth Circuit Court District..... 84 (j) two (2) legal assistants. 85 (k) Eleventh Circuit Court District..... 86 two (2) legal assistants. 87 Twelfth Circuit Court District..... 88 (1) 89 two (2) legal assistants. Thirteenth Circuit Court District..... 90 (m) two (2) legal assistants. 91 92 (n) Fourteenth Circuit Court District..... 93 two (2) legal assistants. Fifteenth Circuit Court District..... 94 (0) 95 two (2) legal assistants. 96 Sixteenth Circuit Court District..... (p) 771 H. B. No. 99\HR07\R718 PAGE 3

97 two (2) legal assistants.

and after July 1, 1999.

Seventeenth Circuit Court District..... 98 (q) 99 two (2) legal assistants. 100 (r) Eighteenth Circuit Court District..... 101 two (2) legal assistants. Nineteenth Circuit Court District..... 102 (s) 103 two (2) legal assistants. (t) Twentieth Circuit Court District..... 104 two (2) legal assistants. 105 106 (u) Twenty-first Circuit Court District..... 107 two (2) legal assistants. (v) Twenty-second Circuit Court District..... 108 109 two (2) legal assistants. 110 (3) The board of supervisors of any county may to pay all or 111 a part of the salary, supplemental pay, expenses and fringe 112 benefits of any district attorney or legal assistant authorized in 113 the circuit court district to which such county belongs pursuant 114 to this section. 115 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from

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