

By: Representative Evans

To: Judiciary B;  
Apportionment and Elections

HOUSE BILL NO. 852

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-7-42, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REVISE THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR "PLACE THREE" JUDGESHIP IN  
3 THE FIFTEENTH CIRCUIT COURT DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-7-42, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 9-7-42. (1) There shall be three (3) judges for the  
8 Fifteenth Circuit Court District.

9 (2) The three (3) judgeships shall be separate and distinct  
10 and denominated for purposes of appointment and election only as  
11 "Place One \* \* \*", "Place Two \* \* \*", and "Place Three \* \* \*".  
12 The judge to fill Place One must be a resident of Jefferson Davis,  
13 Lamar, Lawrence or Marion County. The judge to fill Place Two may  
14 be a resident of any county in the district. The judge to fill  
15 Place Three must be a resident of \* \* \* Jefferson Davis, Lawrence  
16 or Marion County.

17 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
18 and after July 1, 2024.

