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2 By Senator Barfoot

3 RFD: Judiciary

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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would create an additional circuit judgeship, designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 4, in the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit comprised of Autauga, Chilton, and Elmore Counties; an additional circuit judgeship, designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 9, in the Twenty-third Judicial Circuit comprised of Madison County; and an additional circuit judgeship, designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 6, in the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit comprised of Baldwin County.

This bill would provide for the authority of the judges and for the compensation and benefits of the judges.

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19 A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To provide for an additional circuit judgeship,

designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 4, in the Nineteenth

Judicial Circuit comprised of Autauga, Chilton, and Elmore

Counties; to provide for an additional circuit judgeship in

the Twenty-third Judicial Circuit comprised of Madison County;

to provide for an additional circuit judgeship in the

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- 29 Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit comprised of Baldwin County;
- and to provide for the authority of the judges and for the
- 31 compensation and benefit of the judges.
- 32 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
- 33 Section 1.(a)(1) There is created an additional circuit
- 34 judgeship for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit which shall be
- designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 4. The judge elected to
- 36 Judgeship Number 4 may reside in any county within the
- 37 Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. The judge occupying Judgeship
- 38 Number 4 shall be assigned to the domestic relations division
- 39 of the circuit.
- 40 (2) There is created an additional circuit judgeship
- 41 for the Twenty-third Judicial Circuit which shall be
- 42 designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 9.
- 43 (3) There is created an additional circuit judgeship
- 44 for the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit which shall be
- designated as Circuit Judgeship Number 6.
- 46 (b) Circuit Judgeship Number 4 in the Nineteenth
- 47 Judicial Circuit, Circuit Judgeship Number 9 in the
- 48 Twenty-third Judicial Circuit, and Circuit Judgeship Number 6
- in the Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit shall be filled at the
- 50 next general election after the effective date of this act.
- 51 (c) The initial judges elected to the additional
- 52 circuit judgeships created pursuant to subsection (a) shall
- 53 serve for a six-year term holding office from the first Monday
- 54 following the second Tuesday in January after the general
- 55 election at which the judges are elected.
- (d) The initial judges elected to the additional

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57 circuit judgeships created pursuant to subsection (a) shall 58 have and shall exercise all the jurisdiction, power, rights, 59 and authority and shall possess all of the qualifications, 60 perform all of the duties, and shall be subject to all of the 61 responsibilities and duties of the office to which other 62

circuit judges are subject.

- 63 (e) The annual compensation of the additional circuit 64 judges elected pursuant to subsection (a) shall be in 65 accordance with Chapter 10A of Title 12, Code of Alabama 1975, 66 including, but not limited to, the provision that no circuit 67 judge first elected or appointed to office after October 1, 2001, may be provided a salary supplement or expense 68 69 allowance.
- Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately 70 71 following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its 72 otherwise becoming law.