State of Arkansas 1 As Engrossed: S3/31/99 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly Act 1355 of 1999 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 2016 4 5 By: Representatives Hickinbotham, Weaver 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 16-13-1103 TO CREATE 9 A NEW CIRCUIT-CHANCERY JUDGESHIP IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL 10 DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. " 11 12 **Subtitle** 13 "TO CREATE A NEW CIRCUIT-CHANCERY 14 JUDGESHIP IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL 15 16 DI STRI CT. " 17 18 19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 16-13-1103 is amended to read as follows: 21 22 "16-13-1103. Judges and chancellors. (a) The qualified electors of the Third Judicial District shall elect 23 24 one (1) circuit judge and one (1) chancellor. (b) Effective July 1, 1999, the circuit judgeship created by subsection 25 (a) of this section shall become a circuit-chancery judgeship and shall have 26 jurisdiction in law, equity, and probate. 27 (c)(1) Effective January 1, 2001, there is hereby created in the Third 28 29 Judicial District an additional circuit-chancery judgeship which shall have 30 jurisdiction in law, equity, and probate. 31 (2) The qualified electors of the Third Judicial District shall elect the additional circuit-chancery judge created in subsection (c)(1) of 32 this section at the November 2000 general election to take office on January 33 34 1, 2001. The additional judge shall be elected in the same manner and shall satisfy the same qualifications for holding office and shall receive the same 35 salary, expenses, and other allowances as provided by law for judges of the 36

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1	circuit-chancery courts. The judge shall serve for elected terms of four (4)
2	<u>years.</u>
3	(3) The judge of the additional circuit-chancery judgeship
4	created in subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall devote such time as may be
5	required to perform the duties of judge of the juvenile division, which duties
6	shall be the primary obligation of the judge, and shall sit as judge of the
7	circuit, chancery, or probate court as time permits.
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9	SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the passage and approval of this act by the
10	Eighty-Second General Assembly, its provisions shall be effective only when
11	and if approved by the Judicial Resources Assessment Committee which said
12	approval shall be in writing to the chairmen of the Senate and House Judiciary
13	Committees.
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15	SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
16	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
17	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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19	SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
20	any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
21	other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
22	the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
23	act are declared to be severable.
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25	SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
26	hereby repealed.
27	/s/ Hickinbotham
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