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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

1672

By: Representatives Hutchinson, Matthews and Barclay

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 ANNOTATED §16-13-2703 TO CONVERT A CIRCUIT-CHANCERY JUDGESHIP TO A CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP AND CREATE A NEW CHANCERY JUDGESHIP IN THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL AND CHANCERY DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated §16-13-2703 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"16-13-2703. Judges and chancellors.

(a) The qualified electors of the Nineteenth District shall elect one (1) circuit judge and one (1) chancellor.

(b) In the Nineteenth Judicial and Chancery District, there shall be one (1) additional circuit-chancery judgeship which shall have jurisdiction in law, equity, and probate. Effective July 1, 1989, and thereafter, this judgeship shall be converted to a circuit judgeship which shall have jurisdiction only in law.

(c) Effective July 1, 1989, there is hereby created and established, in addition to all other circuit judgeships, chancery judgeships and circuit-chancery judgeships in the Nineteenth Judicial and Chancery District, one (1) additional chancery judgeship which shall have jurisdiction in equity and probate. The Governor shall appoint a person to serve in such position from July 1, 1989 through December 31, 1990. The qualified electors of the Nineteenth Judicial and Chancery District shall elect the chancery judge provided for herein at the November 1990 General Election to take office on January 1, 1991.

(d) The chancery judge created by this act is authorized to employ a

court reporter, a case coordinator, and such other personnel as shall be necessary for the court to effectively and efficiently carry out its responsibilities."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

