

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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## A Bill

SENATE BILL 436

By: Senator Kennedy

### For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 16-13-1303 TO CREATE A  
NEW CIRCUIT-CHANCERY JUDGESHIP IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

### Subtitle

"TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 16-13-1303 TO  
CREATE A NEW CIRCUIT-CHANCERY JUDGESHIP  
IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 16-13-1303 is amended to read as follows:

"16-13-1303. Judges and chancellors.

(a) The qualified electors of the Fifth Judicial District shall elect:

(1) One (1) circuit judge;

(2) One (1) chancellor; and

(3) One (1) circuit-chancery judge.

(b)(1) Each judge of the judgeship created by subdivision (a)(3) of  
this section shall be the judge of the juvenile division of chancery court.

The judge shall serve as judge of the juvenile division in lieu of the judge  
who would otherwise be designated as judge of the juvenile division of  
chancery court in the judicial district.

(2) The judge of the additional circuit-chancery judgeship  
created in subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall devote such time as may be  
required to perform the duties of judge of the juvenile division, which duties  
shall be the primary obligation of the judge, and shall sit as judge of the  
circuit, chancery, or probate court as time permits.

(c)(1) Effective January 1, 2001, there is hereby created in the Fifth Judicial District an additional circuit-chancery-juvenile judgeship which shall have jurisdiction in law, equity, and probate.

(2) The qualified electors of the Fifth Judicial District shall elect the additional circuit-chancery judge created in subsection (c)(1) of this section at the November 2000 general election to take office on January 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 salary, expenses, and other allowances as provided by law for judges of the circuit-chancery courts. The judge shall serve for elected terms of four (4) years."

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. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

/s/ Kennedy