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A Bill

SENATE BILL 703

5 By: Senator R. Thompson
6 By: Representatives Lenderman, B. Wilkins
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT JUDGE IN
10 CRAIGHEAD COUNTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
15 IN CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-17-906 is amended to read as follows:

21 16-17-906. Craighead County District Court.

22 (a)(1) Craighead County shall have one (1) district court with ~~two (2)~~
23 three (3) departments.

24 (2)(A) ~~One (1) department~~ Two (2) departments shall be located
25 in Jonesboro; and

26 (B) One (1) department shall be located in Lake City.

27 (3) ~~Both departments are to be served by one (1) judge~~ The two
28 (2) district court judges shall serve all three (3) departments.

29 (b) The Craighead County District Court ~~Judge~~ judges shall be elected
30 countywide.

31 (c) The Craighead County District Court shall have countywide
32 jurisdiction.
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34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 16-17-1109 is amended to read as follows:

35 16-17-1103. Creation of pilot state district court judgeships.

36 (a) There are established ~~twenty-five (25)~~ twenty-seven (27) pilot



1 state district court judgeships.

2 (b) The following counties or judicial districts of a county and the
3 towns and cities in that county or judicial districts of a county in which a
4 district court is located shall participate in a program of full-time pilot
5 state district court judges:

6 (1) Baxter;

7 (2) Benton;

8 (3) Boone;

9 (4) Cleburne;

10 (5) Craighead;

11 ~~(5)~~(6) Greene;

12 ~~(6)~~(7) Independence;

13 ~~(7)~~(8) Miller;

14 ~~(8)~~(9) Mississippi – Chickasawba District;

15 ~~(9)~~(10) Poinsett;

16 ~~(10)~~(11) Pope;

17 ~~(11)~~(12) Pulaski – Jacksonville District Court; North Little
18 Rock District Court, Department 1 and Department 2; and Pulaski County
19 District Court;

20 ~~(12)~~(13) St. Francis;

21 ~~(13)~~(14) Saline;

22 ~~(14)~~(15) Sebastian; and

23 ~~(15)~~(16) Union.

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25 /s/R. Thompson

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