

SENATE BILL NO. 429

BY SENATOR SHEPHERD AND REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND AND HARDY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:477(24) and 621.24, relative to judges; to provide relative to  
3 certain election procedures; to provide relative to certain elections and judicial  
4 vacancies in the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court; to provide certain terms,  
5 conditions, procedures and requirements; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 13:477(24) and 621.24 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
8 follows:

9 §477. Judicial districts

10 There shall be forty~~two~~ judicial districts in the state and each district shall  
11 be composed as follows:

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13 (24) The parish of Jefferson shall compose the Twenty-Fourth District.

14 **Pursuant to the Consent Decree in the matter entitled "Janice Clark, et al v.**  
15 **Edwin W. Edwards, et al," No. 86-435-A, United States District Court, Middle**  
16 **District of Louisiana, the Twenty-Fourth District shall consist of seven election**  
17 **sections. Election section one shall consist of Divisions G and O. Election**  
18 **section two shall consist of Divisions A, D, F, and N. Election section three shall**  
19 **consist of Divisions K and L. Election section four shall consist of Divisions H**  
20 **and I. Election section five shall be a minority section and shall consist of**  
21 **Divisions C and P. Election section six shall consist of Divisions J and M.**  
22 **Election section seven shall consist of Divisions B and E.**

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24 §621.24. Twenty-Fourth Judicial District

25 **A.** The Twenty-Fourth Judicial District shall have sixteen judges.

1                    **B. The next vacancy in a judgeship that occurs after January 1, 2009,**  
2                    **other than a vacancy in either Division C or Division P, shall be filled by**  
3                    **election from election section five. Thereafter, the remaining judgeships shall**  
4                    **continue to be filled from the remaining election sections.**

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_