

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 767
98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 478.170 and 478.740, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to judicial circuits.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 478.170 and 478.740, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 478.170, 478.187, 478.575, and 478.577, to read as follows:

478.170. **Beginning January 1, 2017**, circuit number thirty-eight shall consist of the [counties] **county** of Christian [and Taney].

478.187. **Beginning January 1, 2017**, circuit number forty-six shall consist of the **county of Taney**.

478.575. **1. Beginning January 1, 2017**, there shall be one circuit judge in the thirty-eighth judicial circuit consisting of the county of Christian.

2. The circuit judge who sat as the only circuit judge in the thirty-eighth judicial circuit on December 31, 2013, shall, beginning January 1, 2017, be the circuit judge in Christian County in the thirty-eighth judicial circuit and shall hold office for the remainder of the term to which he or she was elected or appointed, and until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

478.577. **Beginning January 1, 2017**, there shall be one circuit judge in the forty-sixth judicial circuit consisting of the county of Taney who shall be elected in 2016.

[478.740. 1. There shall be two circuit judges in the thirty-eighth judicial circuit. These judges shall sit in divisions numbered one and two.

2. The circuit judge in division two shall be elected in 2016, and such judicial position shall not be considered vacant or filled until January 1, 2017. The judge in division one shall be elected in 2018.]

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.