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SENATE BILL NO. 985

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SIFTON.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 478.437, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to judgeships.

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

Section A. Section 478.437, RSMo, is repealed and two new sections
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 478.437 and 478.740, to read as
3 follows:

478.437. **1.** The circuit court of the county of St. Louis, comprising circuit
2 number twenty-one, shall be composed of nineteen divisions and nineteen judges
3 and each of the judges shall separately try causes, exercise the powers and
4 perform all the duties imposed upon circuit judges.

5 **2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of**
6 **section 478.320 to the contrary, in the circuit court of the county of St.**
7 **Louis there shall be an additional associate circuit judge and an**
8 **additional circuit judge in lieu of the associate circuit judge positions**
9 **awarded under subsections 1 and 2 of section 478.320 when in the year**
10 **2014 such circuit is awarded three or more associate circuit judges**
11 **pursuant to section 478.320.**

478.740. **In addition to the number of circuit judges and associate**
2 **circuit court judges in existence in the thirty-eighth judicial circuit as**
3 **of August 28, 2014, notwithstanding the provisions of subsections 1 and**
4 **2 of section 478.320 to the contrary, in any county of the second**
5 **classification with more than seventy-five thousand but fewer than one**
6 **hundred thousand inhabitants which qualifies for three or more**
7 **additional associate circuit judges pursuant to subsections 1 and 2 of**
8 **section 478.320 in the year 2014, there shall be one additional associate**

9 circuit judge in such county and one additional circuit judge in the
10 circuit in lieu of the associate circuit judge positions awarded under
11 subsections 1 and 2 of section 478.320.

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