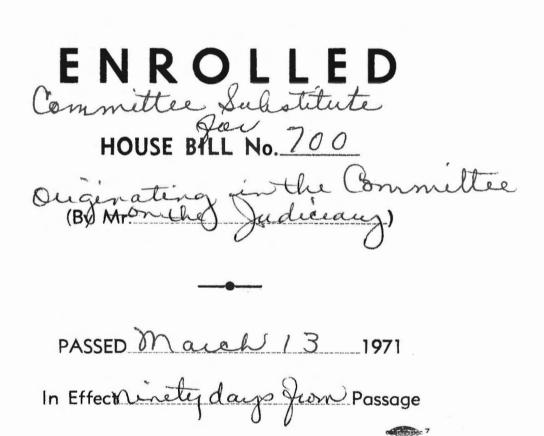
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House Bill No. 700

(Originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)

[Passed March 13, 1971; in effect July 1, 1971.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article two, chapter fifty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to further amend said article two by adding thereto two new sections, designated sections one-ff and one-gg, relating to judicial circuits; creating two replica judicial circuits; relating to the appointment, election and terms of the judges of such two replica judicial circuits; and relating to the terms of court of such replica judicial circuits. Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article two, chapter fifty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, Enr. Com. Sub. for H. B. No. 700] 2

as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that said article two be further amended by adding thereto two new sections, designated sections one-ff and one-gg, all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. CIRCUIT COURTS; CIRCUIT, CRIMINAL AND INTERMEDIATE JUDGES.

§51-2-1. Judicial circuits; election and terms of judges; terms of court.

1 The state shall be divided into judicial circuits as follows: The counties of Brooke, Hancock and Ohio 2 3 shall consttute the first circuit; the counties of Marshall, Tyler and Wetzel shall constitute the second circuit; the 4 counties of Doddridge, Pleasants and Ritchie shall consti-5 stute the third circuit; the counties of Wood and Wirt 6 shall constitute the fourth circuit; the counties of Cal-7 houn, Jackson and Roane shall constitute the fifth cir-8 cuit; the county of Cabell shall constitute the sixth cir-9 10 cuit; the county of Logan shall constitute the seventh 11 circuit; the county of McDowell shall constitute the eighth circuit; the county of Mercer shall constitute the 12 13 ninth circuit; the county of Raleigh shall constitute the 14 tenth circuit; the counties of Greenbrier, Monroe, Poca-15 hontas and Summers shall constitute the eleventh circuit; 3 [Enr. Com. Sub. for H. B. No. 700

the county of Fayette shall constitute the twelfth circuit; 16 the county of Kanawha shall constitute the thirteenth 17 circuit: the counties of Braxton, Clay, Gilmer and Web-18 ster shall constitute the fourteenth circuit; the county of 19 Harrison shall constitute the fifteenth circuit; the county 20 of Marion shall constitute the sixteenth circuit; the coun-21 ty of Monongalia shall constitute the seventeenth cir-22 23 cuit; the county of Preston shall constitute the eighteenth 24 circuit; the counties of Barbour and Taylor shall constitute the nineteenth circuit; the county of Randolph 25 26 shall constitute the twentieth circuit; the counties of Grant, Mineral and Tucker shall constitute the twenty-27 28 first circuit; the counties of Hampshire, Hardy and Pendleton shall constitute the twenty-second circuit; the 29 counties of Berkeley, Jefferson and Morgan shall con-30 31 stitute the twenty-third circuit; the county of Wayne shall constitute the twenty-fourth circuit; the counties 32of Lincoln and Boone shall constitute the twenty-fifth 33 circuit; the counties of Lewis and Upshur shall constitute 34 35 the twenty-sixth circuit; the county of Wyoming shall constitute the twenty-seventh circuit; the county of 36

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37 Nicholas shall constitute the twenty-eighth circuit; the counties of Mason and Putnam shall constitute the 38 twenty-ninth circuit; the county of Mingo shall constitute 39 40 the thirtieth circuit; the counties of Berkeley, Jefferson 41 and Morgan shall constitute the thirty-first circuit; and the counties of Braxton, Clay, Gilmer and Webster shall 42 constitute the thirty-second circuit; and the counties 43 of Mineral, Grant and Tucker shall constitute the thirty-44 45 third circuit.

There shall be elected on the Tuesday next after the 46 first Monday in November, one thousand nine hundred 47 sixty-eight, and every eighth year thereafter, one judge 48 49 in each of the circuits herein constituted, except for the first circuit there shall be two judges elected: Provided, 50 51 That the judge of the thirty-second circuit and the judge of the thirty-third circuit shall be elected on the Tues-52day next after the first Monday in November, one 5354 thousand nine hundred seventy-two, and every eighth year thereafter. 55

56 Within thirty days after the provisions of this section 57 became effective the governor shall appoint a judge for 58 the thirty-second circuit and a judge for the thirty5 [Enr. Com. Sub. for H. B. No. 700

59 third circuit in the same manner as appointments are
60 made to fill vacancies in such offices. Each such judge
61 shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified.
62 The terms of the several circuit judges of the counties
63 aforesaid shall commence and be held each year as here64 inafter provided.

§51-2-1ff. Thirty-second circuit.

For the county of Braxton on the first Monday in
 February, June and October.

3 For the county of Clay on the third Monday in March,4 July and November.

5 For the county of Gilmer on the first Monday in March,

6 July and November.

7 For the county of Webster on the first Monday in8 January, May and September.

§51-2-1gg. Thirty-third Circuit.

For the county of Mineral on the first Monday in
 February, June and October.

3 For the county of Grant on the third Monday in4 March, July and November.

5 For the county of Tucker on the first Monday in Jan-6 uary, May and September.

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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

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