

SENATE BILL 512

By Roberts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8;  
Title 16; Title 17 and Title 18, relative to courts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(23), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

(C) Effective September 1, 2019, there is created an additional trial court in the twenty-third judicial district. The type of court, type of judge to preside over the court, and part of court shall be designated as provided in § 16-2-512. The governor shall appoint a person to serve as an additional judge or chancellor, and the person so appointed shall serve in that capacity until September 1, 2020, or until the person's successor is elected and qualified. At the August 2020 general election, the qualified voters of the twenty-third judicial district shall elect an additional judge or chancellor to serve until September 1, 2022, or until the person's successor is elected and qualified. At the August 2022 general election, and every eight (8) years thereafter, the qualified voters of the twenty-third judicial district shall elect an additional judge or chancellor for a full eight-year term.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.