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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1085

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Committee: Judiciary

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Juvenile Code; to amend
2 section 43-2,111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section
3 43-2,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to eliminate
4 provisions relating to establishment of separate juvenile court
5 districts and separate juvenile courts by a vote; to rename certain
6 separate juvenile court districts; to change provisions relating to
7 the number of judges in certain such districts; to repeal the
8 original sections; and to outright repeal section 43-2,112, Revised
9 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022.
10 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 43-2,111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
2 is amended to read:

3 43-2,111 The State of Nebraska shall be divided into the following
4 three separate juvenile court judicial districts: Each county of this
5 state having a population of seventy five thousand or more inhabitants
6 shall constitute a separate juvenile court judicial district. There shall
7 be established in each such juvenile court judicial district of this
8 state a separate juvenile court whenever the establishment thereof shall
9 be authorized by a majority of the electors of any such county voting
10 thereon. The court so established shall be a court of record.

11 District No. 1 shall contain the county of Douglas;

12 District No. 2 shall contain the county of Sarpy; and

13 District No. 3 shall contain the county of Lancaster.

14 Sec. 2. Section 43-2,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
15 2022, is amended to read:

16 ~~43-2,119~~ (1) The number of judges of the separate juvenile court in
17 the separate juvenile court judicial districts described in section
18 43-2,111 counties which have established a separate juvenile court shall
19 be:

20 (a) Two judges in District No. 2 (Sarpy County) counties having
21 seventy-five thousand inhabitants but less than two hundred thousand
22 inhabitants;

23 (b) Four judges in District No. 3 (Lancaster County) counties having
24 at least two hundred thousand inhabitants but less than four hundred
25 thousand inhabitants; and

26 (c) Six judges in District No. 1 (Douglas County) counties having
27 four hundred thousand inhabitants or more.

28 (2) The senior judge in point of service as a juvenile court judge
29 shall be the presiding judge. The judges shall rotate the office of
30 presiding judge every three years unless the judges agree to another
31 system.

1 Sec. 3. Original section 43-2,111, Reissue Revised Statutes of
2 Nebraska, and section 43-2,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
3 2022, are repealed.

4 Sec. 4. The following section is outright repealed: Section
5 43-2,112, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022.