LEGISLATIVE BILL 1085

Approved by the Governor April 15, 2024

Introduced by Holdcroft, 36; Bosn, 25; DeBoer, 10; DeKay, 40; Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Juvenile Code; to amend section 43-2,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change population thresholds in determining the number of separate juvenile court judges for counties that have established a separate juvenile court; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 43-2,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, is amended to read:

- 43-2,119 (1) The number of judges of the separate juvenile court in counties which have established a separate juvenile court shall be:
- (a) Two judges in counties having seventy-five thousand inhabitants but less than three two hundred thousand inhabitants;
- (b) Four judges in counties having at least <u>three</u> two hundred thousand inhabitants but less than <u>five</u> four hundred thousand inhabitants; and (c) Six judges in counties having <u>five</u> four hundred thousand inhabitants
- (2) The senior judge in point of service as a juvenile court judge shall be the presiding judge. The judges shall rotate the office of presiding judge every three years unless the judges agree to another system.
- Sec. 2. Original section 43-2,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, is repealed.