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SENATOR GREENLEAF, JUDICIARY, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED,  
NOVEMBER 13, 1990

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for additional  
3 judges AND FOR THE DUTIES OF CERTAIN JUDGES. <—

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 911(a) of Title 42 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

8 § 911. Courts of common pleas.

9 (a) General rule.--There shall be one court of common pleas  
10 for each judicial district of this Commonwealth consisting of  
11 the following number of judges:

	Judicial District	Number of Judges
12		
13		
14	First	[85] 90 <—
15	Second	[7] 9
16	Third	6
17	Fourth	1

1	Fifth	41	
2	Sixth	8	
3	Seventh	[10] <del>12</del> 11	<—
4	Eighth	2	
5	Ninth	[4] <u>5</u>	<—
6	Tenth	[9] <u>10</u>	
7	Eleventh	[7] <u>8</u>	<—
8	Twelfth	[6] <u>7</u>	
9	Thirteenth	1	
10	Fourteenth	5	
11	Fifteenth	[8] <u>9</u>	
12	Sixteenth	2	
13	Seventeenth	2	
14	Eighteenth	<del>11</del> <u>2</u>	<—
15	Nineteenth	[7] <u>9</u>	
16	Twentieth	1	
17	Twenty-first	5	
18	Twenty-second	1	
19	Twenty-third	[8] <u>10</u>	
20	Twenty-fourth	4	
21	Twenty-fifth	[1] <u>2</u>	<—
22	Twenty-sixth	2	
23	Twenty-seventh	5	
24	Twenty-eighth	1	
25	Twenty-ninth	[3] <u>4</u>	
26	Thirtieth	2	
27	Thirty-first	[7] <u>8</u>	
28	Thirty-second	16	
29	Thirty-third	2	
30	Thirty-fourth	1	

1	Thirty-fifth	3	
2	Thirty-sixth	5	
3	Thirty-seventh	1	
4	Thirty-eighth	16	
5	Thirty-ninth	3	
6	Fortieth	2	
7	Forty-first	[1] <u>2</u>	
8	Forty-second	2	
9	Forty-third	[3] <u>4</u>	
10	Forty-fourth	1	
11	Forty-fifth	6	
12	Forty-sixth	2	
13	Forty-seventh	5	
14	Forty-eighth	1	
15	Forty-ninth	2	
16	Fiftieth	[3] <u>4</u>	<—
17	Fifty-first	2	
18	Fifty-second	3	
19	Fifty-third	3	
20	Fifty-fourth	1	
21	Fifty-fifth	1	
22	Fifty-sixth	[1] <u>2</u>	
23	Fifty-seventh	1	
24	Fifty-eighth	1	
25	Fifty-ninth	1	
26	Sixtieth	1	

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28 ~~Section 2. Of the two judges added to the second and seventh~~ <—  
29 ~~judicial districts, one each shall be elected in the municipal~~  
30 ~~election occurring in 1991 and one each shall be elected in the~~

1 ~~municipal election occurring in 1993.~~

2 ~~Section 3. The judge added to the forty first judicial~~  
3 ~~district shall be elected in the municipal election occurring in~~  
4 ~~1991.~~

5 SECTION 2. THE FIRST JUDGES ELECTED TO THE FIVE JUDGESHIPS <—  
6 IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 1 SHALL,  
7 FOR FIVE YEARS, DEVOTE THEIR FULL TIME TO PRESIDING OVER  
8 CRIMINAL CASES INVOLVING VIOLATIONS OF THE ACT OF APRIL 14, 1972  
9 (P.L.233, NO.64), KNOWN AS THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, DRUG,  
10 DEVICE AND COSMETIC ACT, AND OTHER RELATED OFFENSES.

11 SECTION 3. (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B), THE  
12 VACANCIES CREATED BY THE NEW JUDGESHIPS ADDED BY SECTION 1  
13 (SECTION 911) SHALL BE FILLED BY ELECTION AT THE FIRST MUNICIPAL  
14 ELECTION OCCURRING AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT.

15 (B) THE NEW JUDGESHIP ADDED BY SECTION 1 (SECTION 911) IN  
16 THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT SHALL BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF  
17 THE GOVERNOR.

18 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.