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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 26, 2007

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the  
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the  
3 number of judges in the courts of common pleas.

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:

	Number of
Judicial District	Judges
First	93
Second	15
Third	8
Fourth	1
Fifth	43

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

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

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27 Section 2. (a) The provisions of 42 Pa.C.S. § 3135 shall  
28 not be applicable to the selection of judges for the judgeships  
29 created in the amendment of 42 Pa.C.S. § 911(a).

30 (b) (1) Except as otherwise provided under paragraph (2),

1 the new judgeships added by the amendment of 42 Pa.C.S. §  
2 911(a) shall be established on January 4, 2010, and shall be  
3 initially filled by election at the 2009 municipal election.

4 (2) The new judgeship for the thirty-ninth judicial  
5 district of this Commonwealth added by the amendment of 42  
6 Pa.C.S. § 911(a) shall be established on January 2, 2012, and  
7 shall be initially filled by election at the 2011 municipal  
8 election.

9 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.