

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 361 Session of
2023INTRODUCED BY J. WARD, COMMITTEE, CULVER AND SANTARSIERO,
FEBRUARY 10, 2023

SENATOR BAKER, JUDICIARY, AS AMENDED, APRIL 25, 2023

AN ACT

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

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

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

9 § 911. Courts of common pleas.

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

	Number of
Judicial District	Judges
First	93
Second	15
Third	9
Fourth	1
Fifth	43

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

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

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27 Section 2. The new ~~judgeship~~ JUDGESHIPS for the EIGHTH <--
28 JUDICIAL DISTRICT, Twenty-sixth Judicial District AND FIFTIETH <--
29 JUDICIAL DISTRICT added by the amendment of 42 Pa.C.S. § 911(a)
30 shall be established on January 1, 2026, and shall be initially

1 filled by election at the 2025 municipal election.

2 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.