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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 22-1005

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Weissman and Van Winkle, Bockenfeld, Duran, Gray, Jodeh, Lynch, Pico, Woodrow;
also SENATOR(S) Gardner and Fields, Donovan, Holbert, Liston, Lundeen, Smallwood, Woodward.

SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF COLORADO AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION CONCERNING JUDGES OF THE NEWLY CREATED TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, DIRECTING THE GOVERNOR TO DESIGNATE JUDGES FROM THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THEIR TERMS IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AND REQUIRING A JUDGE SO DESIGNATED TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY WITHIN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-third General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:

SECTION 1. At the election held on November 8, 2022, the secretary of state shall submit to the registered electors of the state the ballot title set forth in section 2 for the following amendment to the state constitution:

Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material added to existing law; dashes through words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law and such material is not part of the act.

In the constitution of the state of Colorado, section 10 of article VI, **add** (5) as follows:

Section 10. Judicial districts - district judges - repeal.

(5) PURSUANT TO THE CREATION OF THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT, NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30, 2024, THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE DISTRICT JUDGES FROM THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT TO SERVE AS DISTRICT JUDGES IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT. NO LATER THAN JANUARY 7, 2025, EACH DISTRICT JUDGE DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL ESTABLISH RESIDENCE IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT. EACH DISTRICT JUDGE DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION, AT THE COMPLETION OF THE LAST TERM FOR WHICH THE JUDGE WAS LAST ELECTED OR APPOINTED, IS ELIGIBLE TO SEEK RETENTION IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT. A VACANCY IN ANY JUDICIAL OFFICE IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OCCURRING AFTER JANUARY 7, 2025, SHALL BE FILLED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 20 (1) OF THIS ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 2. Each elector voting at the election may cast a vote either "Yes/For" or "No/Against" on the following ballot title: "Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning judges of the newly created twenty-third judicial district, and, in connection therewith, directing the governor to designate judges from the eighteenth judicial district to serve the remainder of their terms in the twenty-third judicial district and requiring a judge so designated to establish residency within the twenty-third judicial district?"

SECTION 3. Except as otherwise provided in section 1-40-123, Colorado Revised Statutes, if at least fifty-five percent of the electors voting

on the ballot title vote "Yes/For", then the amendment will become part of the state constitution.

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