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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 5824

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 5824 on page 5, by

3 replacing lines 7 through 18 with the following:

"(k) Of the 23rd circuit's associate judgeships, the first associate judgeship that is or becomes vacant on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly shall become a resident judgeship from DeKalb County in the 23rd circuit. The additional resident judgeship shall be filled by election beginning at the 2016 general election. The Supreme Court may fill the judgeship by appointment prior to the 2016 general election. As used in this subsection, a vacancy does not include the expiration of a term of a resident judge who seeks retention in that office at the next term. A vacancy does not exist or occur at the expiration of an associate judge's term if the associate judge is reappointed. A vacancy exists or occurs when an associate judge dies, resigns, retires, is removed, or is not reappointed upon expiration of

- 1 his or her term, or when a new judgeship is authorized under
- subsection (a) of Section 2 of the Associate Judges Act but is 2
- not filled."; and 3
- 4 on page 12, by replacing lines 23 through 26 with "reduced by
- 5 one."; and
- 6 on page 13, by deleting line 1.