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A BILL

To amend section 1901.021 of the Revised Code to
eliminate the requirement that one of the judges
of the Wayne County Municipal Court sit within
the municipal corporation of Orrville.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 1901.021 of the Revised Code be
amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1901.021. (A) Except as otherwise provided in
division (M) of this section, the judge or judges of any
municipal court established under division (A) of section
1901.01 of the Revised Code having territorial jurisdiction
outside the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in
which it is located may sit outside the corporate limits of the
municipal corporation within the area of its territorial
jurisdiction.

(B) Two or more of the judges of the Hamilton county
municipal court shall be assigned by the presiding judge of the
court to sit outside the municipal corporation of Cincinnati.

(C) Two of the judges of the Portage county municipal

court shall sit within the municipal corporation of Ravenna, and 19
one of the judges shall sit within the municipal corporation of 20
Kent. The judges may sit in other incorporated areas of Portage 21
county. 22

(D) ~~One of the~~ The judges of the Wayne county municipal 23
court shall sit within the municipal corporation of Wooster, and 24
~~one shall sit within the municipal corporation of Orrville. Both~~ 25
~~judges~~ may sit in other incorporated areas of Wayne county. 26

(E) The judge of the Auglaize county municipal court shall 27
sit within the municipal corporations of Wapakoneta and St. 28
Marys and may sit in other incorporated areas in Auglaize 29
county. 30

(F) At least one of the judges of the Miami county 31
municipal court shall sit within the municipal corporations of 32
Troy, Piqua, and Tipp City, and the judges may sit in other 33
incorporated areas of Miami county. 34

(G) The judge of the Crawford county municipal court shall 35
sit within the municipal corporations of Bucyrus and Galion and 36
may sit in other incorporated areas in Crawford county. 37

(H) The judge of the Jackson county municipal court shall 38
sit within the municipal corporations of Jackson and Wellston 39
and may sit in other incorporated areas in Jackson county. 40

(I) Each judge of the Columbiana county municipal court 41
may sit within the municipal corporation of Lisbon, Salem, or 42
East Palestine until the judges jointly select a central 43
location within the territorial jurisdiction of the court. When 44
the judges select a central location, the judges shall sit at 45
that location. 46

(J) In any municipal court, other than the Hamilton county 47

municipal court and the Montgomery county municipal court, that 48
has more than one judge, the decision for one or more judges to 49
sit outside the corporate limits of the municipal corporation 50
shall be made by rule of the court as provided in division (C) 51
of sections 1901.14 and 1901.16 of the Revised Code. 52

(K) The assignment of a judge to sit in a municipal 53
corporation other than that in which the court is located does 54
not affect the jurisdiction of the mayor except as provided in 55
section 1905.01 of the Revised Code. 56

(L) The judges of the Clermont county municipal court may 57
sit in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory 58
within Clermont county. 59

(M) Beginning July 1, 2010, the judges of the Montgomery 60
county municipal court shall sit in the same locations as the 61
judges of the Montgomery county county court sat before the 62
county court was abolished on that date. The legislative 63
authority of the Montgomery county municipal court may determine 64
after that date that the judges of the Montgomery county 65
municipal court shall sit in any municipal corporation or 66
unincorporated territory within Montgomery county. 67

(N) The judge of the Tiffin-Fostoria municipal court shall 68
sit within each of the municipal corporations of Tiffin and 69
Fostoria on a weekly basis. Cases that arise within the 70
municipal corporation of Tiffin and within Adams, Big Spring, 71
Bloom, Clinton, Eden, Hopewell, Liberty, Pleasant, Reed, Scioto, 72
Seneca, Thompson, and Venice townships in Seneca county shall be 73
filed in the office of the clerk of the court located in the 74
municipal corporation of Tiffin. Cases that arise in the 75
municipal corporation of Fostoria and within Loudon and Jackson 76
townships in Seneca county, within Washington township in 77

Hancock county, and within Perry township, except within the 78
municipal corporation of West Millgrove, in Wood county, shall 79
be filed in the office of the special deputy clerk located in 80
the municipal corporation of Fostoria. 81

Section 2. That existing section 1901.021 of the Revised 82
Code is hereby repealed. 83

Section 3. On the effective date of this act, all causes, 84
judgments, executions, and other proceedings pending in the 85
Wayne County Municipal Court located in the municipal 86
corporation of Orrville shall be transferred to and proceed in 87
the Wayne County Municipal Court located in the municipal 88
corporation of Wooster. 89