(122nd General Assembly)
(Substitute House Bill Number 602)

AN ACT

To amend sections 2301.02 and 2301.51 of the Revised Code to add one General Division judge to the Court of Common Pleas of Lake County to be elected at the general election in November 2000, and, in courts of common pleas in which the presiding judge is not a judge of the court's general division, to transfer certain functions regarding community-based or district community-based correctional facilities and programs from the presiding judge to the administrative judge of the court's general division.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That sections 2301.02 and 2301.51 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2301.02. The number of judges of the court of common pleas for each county, the time for the next election of the judges in the several counties, and the beginning of their terms shall be as follows:

(A) In Adams, Ashland, Fayette, and Pike counties, one judge, elected in 1956, term to begin February 9, 1957;

In Brown, Crawford, Defiance, Highland, Holmes, Morgan, Ottawa, and Union counties, one judge, to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955;

In Auglaize county, one judge, to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 9, 1957;

In Coshocton, Darke, Fulton, Gallia, Guernsey, Hardin, Jackson, Knox, Logan, Madison, Mercer, Monroe, Morrow, Paulding, Vinton, and Wyandot counties, one judge, to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957;

In Carroll, Champaign, Clinton, Hocking, Meigs, Pickaway, Preble, Shelby, Van Wert, and Williams counties, one judge, to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953;

In Harrison and Noble counties, one judge, to be elected in 1954, term

to begin April 18, 1955;

In Henry and Putnam counties, one judge, to be elected in 1956, term to begin May 9, 1957;

In Huron county, one judge, to be elected in 1952, term to begin May 14, 1953;

In Perry county, one judge, to be elected in 1954, term to begin July 6, 1956;

In Sandusky county, two judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 10, 1955, and one to be elected in 1978, term to begin January 1, 1979;

(B) In Allen county, three judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin February 9, 1957, the second to be elected in 1958, term to begin January 1, 1959, and the third to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 1, 1993;

In Ashtabula county, three judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, one to be elected in 1960, term to begin January 1, 1961, and one to be elected in 1978, term to begin January 2, 1979;

In Athens county, two judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, and one to be elected in 1990, term to begin July 1, 1991;

In Erie county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, and the second to be elected in 1970, term to begin January 2, 1971;

In Fairfield county, three judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, the second to be elected in 1970, term to begin January 1, 1971, and the third to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 2, 1995;

In Geauga county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, and the second to be elected in 1976, term to begin January 1, 1977;

In Greene county, four judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin February 9, 1957, the second to be elected in 1960, term to begin January 1, 1961, the third to be elected in 1978, term to begin January 2, 1979, and the fourth to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 1, 1995;

In Hancock county, two judges, one to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953, and the second to be elected in 1978, term to begin January 1, 1979;

In Lawrence county, two judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, and the second to be elected in 1976, term to begin January 1, 1977;

In Marion county, three judges, one to be elected in 1952, term to begin

January 1, 1953, the second to be elected in 1976, term to begin January 2, 1977, and the third to be elected in 1998, term to begin February 9, 1999;

In Medina county, three judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, the second to be elected in 1966, term to begin January 1, 1967, and the third to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 1, 1995;

In Miami county, two judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, and one to be elected in 1970, term to begin on January 1, 1971;

In Muskingum county, two judges, one to be elected in 1968, term to begin August 9, 1969, and one to be elected in 1978, term to begin January 1, 1979;

In Portage county, three judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, the second to be elected in 1960, term to begin January 1, 1961, and the third to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 2, 1987;

In Ross county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin February 9, 1957, and the second to be elected in 1976, term to begin January 1, 1977;

In Scioto county, three judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 10, 1955, the second to be elected in 1960, term to begin January 1, 1961, and the third to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 2, 1995;

In Seneca county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, and the second to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 2, 1987;

In Warren county, three judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, the second to be elected in 1970, term to begin January 1, 1971, and the third to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 1, 1987;

In Washington county, two judges, one to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953, and one to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 1, 1987;

In Wood county, three judges, one to be elected in 1968, term beginning January 1, 1969, the second to be elected in 1970, term to begin January 2, 1971, and the third to be elected in 1990, term to begin January 1, 1991;

In Belmont and Jefferson counties, two judges, to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively;

In Clark county, four judges, one to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953, the second to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 2, 1957, the third to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 3, 1987, and the fourth to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 2, 1995.

In Clermont county, four judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, the second to be elected in 1964, term to begin

nuary 1, 1965, the third to be elected in 1982, term to begin January 2, 1983, and the fourth to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 2, 1987;

In Columbiana county, two judges, one to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953, and the second to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957;

In Delaware county, two judges, one to be elected in 1990, term to begin February 9, 1991, the second to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 1, 1995;

In Lake county, ~~five~~ six judges, one to be elected in 1958, term to begin January 1, 1959, the second to be elected in 1960, term to begin January 2, 1961, the third to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 3, 1965, ~~and~~ the fourth and fifth to be elected in 1978, terms to begin ~~on~~ January 4, 1979, and January 5, 1979, respectively, and the sixth to be elected in 2000, term to begin January 1, 2001;

In Licking county, three judges, one to be elected in 1954, term to begin February 9, 1955, one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 1, 1965, and one to be elected in 1990, term to begin January 1, 1991;

In Lorain county, eight judges, two to be elected in 1952, terms to begin January 1, 1953, and January 2, 1953, respectively, one to be elected in 1958, term to begin January 3, 1959, one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 1, 1969, two to be elected in 1988, terms to begin January 4, 1989, and January 5, 1989, respectively, and two to be elected in 1998, terms to begin January 2, 1999, and January 3, 1999, respectively;

In Butler county, eight judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957; two to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 2, 1969; one to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 3, 1987; two to be elected in 1988, terms to begin January 1, 1989, and January 2, 1989, respectively; and one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 4, 1993;

In Richland county, three judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, the second to be elected in 1960, term to begin February 9, 1961, and the third to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 2, 1969;

In Tuscarawas county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, and the second to be elected in 1960, term to begin January 2, 1961;

In Wayne county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term beginning January 1, 1957, and one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 2, 1969;

In Trumbull county, six judges, one to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953, the second to be elected in 1954, term to begin January 1, 1955, the third to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957, the fourth to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 1, 1965, the fifth to be elected in 1976, term to begin January 2, 1977; and the sixth to be elected in 1994, term to begin January 3, 1995;

(C) In Cuyahoga county, thirty-nine judges; eight to be elected in 1954, terms to begin on successive days beginning from January 1, 1955, to January 7, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; eight to be elected in 1956, terms to begin on successive days beginning from January 1, 1957, to January 8, 1957; three to be elected in 1952, terms to begin from January 1, 1953, to January 3, 1953; two to be elected in 1960, terms to begin on January 8, 1961, and January 9, 1961, respectively; two to be elected in 1964, terms to begin January 4, 1965, and January 5, 1965, respectively; one to be elected in 1966, term to begin on January 10, 1967; four to be elected in 1968, terms to begin on successive days beginning from January 9, 1969, to January 12, 1969; two to be elected in 1974, terms to begin on January 18, 1975, and January 19, 1975, respectively; five to be elected in 1976, terms to begin on successive days beginning January 6, 1977, to January 10, 1977; two to be elected in 1982, terms to begin January 11, 1983, and January 12, 1983, respectively; and two to be elected in 1986, terms to begin January 13, 1987, and January 14, 1987, respectively;

In Franklin county, twenty-one judges; two to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; four to be elected in 1956, terms to begin January 1, 1957, to January 4, 1957; four to be elected in 1958, terms to begin January 1, 1959, to January 4, 1959; three to be elected in 1968, terms to begin January 5, 1969, to January 7, 1969; three to be elected in 1976, terms to begin on successive days beginning January 5, 1977, to January 7, 1977; one to be elected in 1982, term to begin January 8, 1983; one to be elected in 1986, term to begin January 9, 1987; two to be elected in 1990, terms to begin July 1, 1991, and July 2, 1991, respectively; and one to be elected in 1996, term to begin January 2, 1997;

In Hamilton county, twenty-one judges; eight to be elected in 1966, terms to begin January 1, 1967, January 2, 1967, and from February 9, 1967, to February 14, 1967, respectively; five to be elected in 1956, terms to begin from January 1, 1957, to January 5, 1957; one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 1, 1965; one to be elected in 1974, term to begin January 15, 1975; one to be elected in 1980, term to begin January 16, 1981; two to be elected at large in the general election in 1982, terms to begin April 1, 1983; one to be elected in 1990, term to begin July 1, 1991; and two to be elected

in 1996, terms to begin January 3, 1997, and January 4, 1997, respectively;

In Lucas county, fourteen judges; two to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; two to be elected in 1956, terms to begin January 1, 1957, and October 29, 1957, respectively; two to be elected in 1952, terms to begin January 1, 1953, and January 2, 1953, respectively; one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 3, 1965; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 4, 1969; two to be elected in 1976, terms to begin January 4, 1977, and January 5, 1977, respectively; one to be elected in 1982, term to begin January 6, 1983; one to be elected in 1988, term to begin January 7, 1989; one to be elected in 1990, term to begin January 2, 1991; and one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 2, 1993;

In Mahoning county, seven judges; three to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, January 2, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; one to be elected in 1956, term to begin January 1, 1957; one to be elected in 1952, term to begin January 1, 1953; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 2, 1969; and one to be elected in 1990, term to begin July 1, 1991;

In Montgomery county, fifteen judges; three to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, January 2, 1955, and January 3, 1955, respectively; four to be elected in 1952, terms to begin January 1, 1953, January 2, 1953, July 1, 1953, July 2, 1953, respectively; one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 3, 1965; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 3, 1969; three to be elected in 1976, terms to begin on successive days beginning January 4, 1977, to January 6, 1977; two to be elected in 1990, terms to begin July 1, 1991, and July 2, 1991, respectively; and one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 1, 1993.

In Stark county, eight judges; one to be elected in 1958, term to begin on January 2, 1959; two to be elected in 1954, terms to begin on January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; two to be elected in 1952, terms to begin January 1, 1953, and April 16, 1953, respectively; one to be elected in 1966, term to begin on January 4, 1967; and two to be elected in 1992, terms to begin January 1, 1993, and January 2, 1993, respectively;

In Summit county, eleven judges; four to be elected in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, January 2, 1955, January 3, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; three to be elected in 1958, terms to begin January 1, 1959, January 2, 1959, and May 17, 1959, respectively; one to be elected in 1966, term to begin January 4, 1967; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 5, 1969; one to be elected in 1990, term to begin May 1, 1991; and one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 6, 1993.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, in any county having two or more judges of the court of common pleas, in which more than one-third of the judges plus one were previously elected at the same election, if the office of one of those judges so elected becomes vacant more than forty days prior to the second general election preceding the expiration of that judge's term, the office that that judge had filled shall be abolished as of the date of the next general election, and a new office of judge of the court of common pleas shall be created. The judge who is to fill that new office shall be elected for a six-year term at the next general election, and the term of that judge shall commence on the first day of the year following that general election, on which day no other judge's term begins, so that the number of judges ~~which such~~ that the county shall elect shall not be reduced.

Judges of the probate division of the court of common pleas are judges of the court of common pleas~~,~~ but shall be elected pursuant to sections 2101.02 and 2101.021 of the Revised Code, except in Adams, Harrison, Henry, Morgan, Morrow, Noble, and Wyandot counties in which the judge of the court of common pleas elected pursuant to this section ~~shall~~ also shall serve as judge of the probate division.

Sec. 2301.51. (A)(1) The court of common pleas of any county that has a population of two hundred thousand or more may formulate a community-based correctional proposal that, upon implementation, would provide a community-based correctional facility and program for the use of that court in accordance with sections 2301.51 to 2301.56 of the Revised Code. Upon the approval of the director of rehabilitation and correction, the court of common pleas of any county that has a population of two hundred thousand or more may formulate more than one community-based correctional proposal. In determining whether to grant approval to a court to formulate more than one proposal, the director shall consider the rate at which the county served by the court commits felony offenders to the state correctional system. If a court formulates more than one proposal, each proposal shall be for a separate community-based correctional facility and program.

For each community-based correctional proposal formulated under this division, the fact that the proposal has been formulated and the fact of any subsequent establishment of a community-based correctional facility and program pursuant to the proposal shall be entered upon the journal of the court. A county's community-based correctional facilities and programs shall be administered by a judicial corrections board. The presiding judge of the court or, if the presiding judge is not a judge of the general division of the court, the administrative judge of the general division shall designate the

members of the board, who shall be judges of the court. The total number of members of the board shall not exceed eleven. The ~~presiding~~ judge ~~of the court~~ who is authorized to designate the members of the board shall serve as ~~chairman~~ chairperson of the board.

(2) The courts of common pleas of two or more adjoining or neighboring counties that have an aggregate population of two hundred thousand or more may form a judicial corrections board and proceed to organize a district and formulate a district community-based correctional proposal that, upon implementation, would provide a district community-based correctional facility and program for the use of the member courts in accordance with sections 2301.51 to 2301.56 of the Revised Code. Upon the approval of the director of rehabilitation and correction, a judicial corrections board may formulate more than one district community-based correctional proposal. In determining whether to grant approval to a judicial corrections board to formulate more than one proposal, the director shall consider the rate at which the counties that formed the board commit felony offenders to the state correctional system. If a judicial corrections board formulates more than one proposal, each proposal shall be for a separate district community-based correctional facility and program. The judicial corrections board shall consist of not more than eleven judges of the member courts of common pleas, and each member court shall be represented on the board by at least one judge. The presiding judge of the court of common pleas of the county with the greatest population or, if that presiding judge is not a judge of the general division of that court, the administrative judge of the general division of that court shall serve as chairperson of the board. The fact of the formation of a board and district, and, for each district community-based correctional proposal formulated under this division, the fact that the proposal has been formulated and the fact of any subsequent establishment of a district community-based correctional facility and program shall be entered upon the journal of each member court of common pleas.

(B)(1) Each proposal for the establishment of a community-based correctional facility and program or district community-based correctional facility and program that is formulated pursuant to division (A) of this section shall be submitted by the judicial corrections board to the division of parole and community services for its approval under section 5120.10 of the Revised Code.

(2) No person shall be sentenced to or placed in a community-based correctional facility and program or to a district community-based correctional facility and program by a court pursuant to section 2929.16 or

2929.17 of the Revised Code or by the parole board pursuant to section 2967.28 of the Revised Code, or otherwise committed or admitted to a facility and program of that type until after the proposal for the establishment of the facility and program has been approved by the division of parole and community services under section 5120.10 of the Revised Code. A person shall be sentenced to a facility and program of that type only pursuant to a sanction imposed by a court pursuant to section 2929.16 or 2929.17 of the Revised Code as the sentence or as any part of the sentence of the person or otherwise shall be committed or referred to a facility and program of that type only when authorized by law.

(C) Upon the approval by the division of parole and community services of a proposal for the establishment of a community-based correctional facility and program or district community-based correctional facility and program submitted to it under division (B) of this section, the judicial corrections board that submitted the proposal may establish and operate the facility and program addressed by the proposal in accordance with the approved proposal and division (B)(2) of this section. The judicial corrections board may submit a request for funding of some or all of its community-based correctional facilities and programs or district community-based correctional facilities and programs to the board of county commissioners of the county, if the judicial corrections board serves a community-based correctional facility and program, or to the boards of county commissioners of all of the member counties, if the judicial corrections board serves a district community-based correctional facility and program. The board or boards may appropriate, but are not required to appropriate, a sum of money for funding all aspects of each facility and program as outlined in sections 2301.51 to 2301.56 of the Revised Code. The judicial corrections board has no recourse against a board or boards of county commissioners, either under Chapter 2731. of the Revised Code, under its contempt power, or under any other authority, if the board or boards of county commissioners do not appropriate money for funding any facility or program or if they appropriate money for funding a facility and program in an amount less than the total amount of the submitted request for funding.

(D)(1) If a court of common pleas that is being served by any community-based correctional facility and program established pursuant to division (C) of this section determines that it no longer wants to be served by the facility and program, the court may dissolve the facility and program by entering upon the journal of the court the fact of the determination to dissolve the facility and program and by notifying, in writing, the division of

parole and community services of the determination to dissolve the facility and program. If the court is served by more than one community-based correctional facility and program, it may dissolve some or all of the facilities and programs and, if it does not dissolve all of the facilities and programs, it shall continue the operation of the remaining facilities and programs.

(2) If all of the courts of common pleas being served by any district community-based correctional facility and program established pursuant to division (C) of this section determine that they no longer want to be served by the facility and program, the courts may dissolve the facility and program by entering upon the journal of each court the fact of the determination to dissolve the facility and program and by the ~~presiding~~ judge ~~of the court of common pleas of the county with the greatest population~~ who serves as chairperson of the judicial corrections board notifying, in writing, the division of parole and community services of the determination to dissolve the facility and program. If the courts are served by more than one community-based correctional facility and program, they may dissolve some or all of the facilities and programs and, if they do not dissolve all of the facilities and programs, they shall continue the operation of the remaining facilities and programs.

(3) If at least one, but not all, of the courts of common pleas being served by one or more district community-based correctional facilities and programs established pursuant to division (C) of this section determines that it no longer wants to be served by the facilities and programs, the court may terminate its involvement with each of the facilities and programs by entering upon the journal of the court the fact of the determination to terminate its involvement with the facilities and programs and by the court notifying, in writing, the division of parole and community services of the determination to terminate its involvement with the facilities and programs.

If at least one, but not all, of the courts of common pleas being served by one or more district community-based correctional facilities and programs terminates its involvement with each of the facilities and programs in accordance with this division, the other courts of common pleas being served by the facilities and programs may continue to be served by each of the facilities and programs if the other counties are adjoining or neighboring counties and have an aggregate population of two hundred thousand or more.

(E) Nothing in this section, sections 2301.52 to 2301.56, or section 5120.10, 5120.111, or 5120.122 of the Revised Code modifies or affects or shall be interpreted as modifying or affecting sections 5149.30 to 5149.37 of the Revised Code.

SECTION 2. That existing sections 2301.02 and 2301.51 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

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Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

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President _____ *of the Senate.*

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

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Governor.

The section numbering of law of a general and permanent nature is complete and in conformity with the Revised Code.

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Director, Legislative Service Commission.

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Secretary of State.

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