



January 27, 2025

HOUSE BILL No. 1319

DIGEST OF HB 1319 (Updated January 22, 2025 12:21 pm - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 33-33.

Synopsis: Elkhart County courts. Allows the judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts to appoint five full-time magistrates. (Current law allows for the appointment of two magistrates.)

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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January 13, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Courts and Criminal Code.
January 27, 2025, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 126.3.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 33-33-20-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006,
2 SECTION 503, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 2. (a) The judges of the Elkhart
4 circuit and superior courts may jointly appoint ~~two~~ **five (5)** full-time
5 magistrates under IC 33-23-5 to serve the circuit and superior courts.
6 (b) A magistrate continues in office until removed by the judges of
7 the circuit and superior courts.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Courts and Criminal Code, to which was referred House Bill 1319, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1319 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0

