

HOUSE BILL 125

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Crosby**

Requested: October 8, 2024

Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **St. Mary's County – Circuit Court – Judges**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the number of resident judges of the Circuit Court for St.
4 Mary's County; and generally relating to circuit court judges in St. Mary's County.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
7 Section 1–503
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
11 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

13 1–503.

14 (a) In each county in the first seven judicial circuits there shall be the number of
15 resident judges of the circuit court set forth below, including the judge or judges provided
16 for by the Constitution:

17	(1) Allegany.....	2
18	(2) Anne Arundel	13
19	(3) Baltimore County.....	21
20	(4) Calvert.....	3

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (5) Caroline 1

2 (6) Carroll..... 4

3 (7) Cecil 4

4 (8) Charles 5

5 (9) Dorchester 1

6 (10) Frederick 6

7 (11) Garrett..... 1

8 (12) Harford 6

9 (13) Howard 5

10 (14) Kent 1

11 (15) Montgomery 24

12 (16) Prince George’s..... 25

13 (17) Queen Anne’s 1

14 (18) St. Mary’s [3] 4

15 (19) Somerset 1

16 (20) Talbot..... 1

17 (21) Washington 6

18 (22) Wicomico..... 4

19 (23) Worcester..... 3

20 (b) In Baltimore City there shall be 35 resident judges of the Circuit Court for
 21 Baltimore City.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 23 October 1, 2025.