

HOUSE BILL 43

By Barrett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16,
Chapter 2, Part 5, relative to trial courts.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-2-506(23)(A), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (i) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(ii) Effective September 1, 2023, there is created an additional trial court in the twenty-third judicial district. The type of court, type of judge to preside over the court, and part of court must be designated as provided in § 16-2-512. The governor shall appoint a person to serve as an additional judge or chancellor, and the person so appointed shall serve in that capacity until September 1, 2024, or until the person's successor is elected and qualified. At the August 2024 general election, the qualified voters of the twenty-third judicial district shall elect an additional judge or chancellor to serve until September 1, 2030, or until the person's successor is elected and qualified. At the August 2030 general election, and every eight (8) years thereafter, the qualified voters of the twenty-third judicial district shall elect an additional judge or chancellor for a full eight-year term;

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.