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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 571 (Judiciary)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to venue of actions in superior
7 court and the number of superior and district court
8 judges; and providing for an effective date."

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 * Section 1. AS 22.10.030 is amended by adding a new subsection to
11 read:

12 (g) The chief justice of the supreme court may make exceptions
13 to the requirements of this section if, consistent with the state and
14 federal constitutions, the chief justice determines that transporta-
15 tion facilities reasonably require venue in an urban center in an
16 adjoining judicial or senate district.

17 * Sec. 2. AS 22.10.120 is amended to read:

18 Sec. 22.10.120. NUMBER OF JUDGES. The superior court consists
19 of 29 [27] judges, five of whom shall be judges in the first judicial
20 district, three of whom shall be judges in the second judicial dis-
21 trict, 16 [14] of whom shall be judges in the third judicial district,
22 and five of whom shall be judges in the fourth judicial district. At
23 the time of submitting the names of nominees to the governor to fill a
24 vacancy on the superior court bench, the judicial council shall also
25 designate the district in which the appointee is to reside and serve.

26 * Sec. 3. AS 22.15.020(a) is amended to read:

27 (a) Except as hereinafter provided, each district court of the
28 State of Alaska shall have the number of district judges set out below
29 opposite the name of the judicial district over which the court has

1 jurisdiction:

2 First Judicial District 3

3 Second Judicial District 1

4 Third Judicial District 12 [4]

5 Fourth Judicial District 4 [2]

6 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
7 10.070(c).