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AN ACT

Amending the jurisdiction of the district court, and increasing the period during which a district court judge serves under an initial appointment before being subject to voter approval.

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

THE ACT FOLLOWS ON PAGE 1, LINE 11

UNDERLINED MATERIAL INDICATES TEXT THAT IS BEING ADDED TO THE LAW AND BRACKETED MATERIAL IN CAPITAL LETTERS INDICATES DELETIONS FROM THE LAW; COMPLETELY NEW TEXT OR MATERIAL REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED IS IDENTIFIED IN THE INTRODUCTORY LINE OF EACH BILL SECTION.

Approved by the Governor: June 4, 1990
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Amending the jurisdiction of the district court, and increasing the period during which a district court judge serves under an initial appointment before being subject to voter approval.

* Section 1. AS 15.35.100(a) is amended to read:

(a) Each district judge shall be subject to approval or rejection at the first general election held more than two years [ONE YEAR] after the judge's appointment under the provisions of AS 22.15.-170. If approved, the judge shall thereafter be subject to approval or rejection in a like manner every fourth year.

* Sec. 2. AS 22.15.030(a) is amended to read:

(a) The district court has jurisdiction of civil cases, including foreign judgments filed under AS 09.30.200 and arbitration proceedings under AS 09.43.170, as follows:

(1) for the recovery of money or damages when the amount claimed exclusive of costs, interest, and attorney fees does not exceed \$50,000 [\$35,000];

(2) for the recovery of specific personal property, when the value of the property claimed and the damages for the detention do not exceed \$50,000 [\$35,000];

(3) for the recovery of a penalty or forfeiture, whether given by statute or arising out of contract, not exceeding \$50,000 [\$35,000];

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1 (4) to give judgment without action upon the confession of
2 the defendant for any of the cases specified in this section, except
3 for a penalty or forfeiture imposed by statute;

4 (5) for establishing the fact of death of any person in the
5 manner prescribed in AS 09.55.020 - 09.55.060;

6 (6) for the recovery of the possession of premises in the
7 manner provided under AS 09.45.070 - 09.45.160 when the value of the
8 arrears and damage to the property does not exceed \$50,000 [~~\$35,000~~];

9 (7) for the foreclosure of a lien when the amount in con-
10 troversy does not exceed \$50,000 [~~\$35,000~~];

11 (8) for the recovery of money or damages in motor vehicle
12 tort cases when the amount claimed exclusive of costs, interest, and
13 attorney fees does not exceed \$50,000 [~~\$35,000~~];

14 (9) over civil actions for taking utility service and for
15 damages to or interference with a utility line filed under AS 42.20.-
16 030;

17 (10) over cases involving injunctive relief for domestic
18 violence under AS 25.35.010 and 25.35.020.

19 * Sec. 3. The provisions of AS 15.35.100(a), as amended by sec. 1 of
20 this Act, apply to district court judges who enter into the duties of the
21 office on or after the effective date of this Act.