

Session 114 - (2001-2002)

H 3232 General Bill, By Altman

Summary: Chief Justice of Supreme Court, Chief Judge of Appeals Court, judges and justices may elect among themselves

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 14-3-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE SUPREME COURT AND ELECTION OF JUSTICES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE FIVE JUSTICES SHALL ELECT AMONG THEMSELVES THE CHIEF JUSTICE WHO SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE JUSTICE ELECTED AS THE CHIEF JUSTICE IS ELIGIBLE TO BE REELECTED; TO AMEND SECTION 14-8-10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE COURT OF APPEALS AND THE NUMBER OF JUDGES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE NINE JUDGES SHALL ELECT AMONG THEMSELVES THE CHIEF JUDGE WHO SHALL SERVE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE JUDGE ELECTED AS THE CHIEF JUDGE IS ELIGIBLE TO BE REELECTED; TO AMEND SECTION 14-8-20 AND SECTION 14-8-30 RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COURT OF APPEALS AND TO THE QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFICE, SO AS TO CONFORM BOTH SECTIONS TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THESE PROVISIONS DO NOT APPLY TO THE CHIEF JUSTICE OR THE CHIEF JUDGE SERVING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT DURING THAT JUSTICE'S OR JUDGE'S TENURE IN OFFICE.

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