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By: **The Speaker (By Request - Maryland Judiciary)**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Judgeships - Circuit Courts**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the number of resident judges of certain circuit courts;  
4 and generally relating to judgeships in the circuit courts.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
6 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
7 Section 1-503(a)(15) and (b)  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
11 MARYLAND, 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  
15 of resident judges of the circuit court set forth below, including the judge or judges  
16 provided for by the Constitution:

17 (15) Montgomery ..... [21] 22

18 (b) In Baltimore City there shall be [32] 33 resident judges of the Circuit  
19 Court for Baltimore City.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 July 1, 2006.