SENATE BILL 497

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By: **Senator Frosh**
Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2009
Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Circuit Court Judgeships – Workforce Planning – Counties of Greatest**
3 **Identified Need**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the number of resident judges of the circuit court in
5   certain judicial circuits; and generally relating to judgeships in the circuit
6   courts.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8   Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
9   Section 1–503
10   Annotated Code of Maryland
11   (2006 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

12   SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

15 1–503.

16   (a)   In each county in the first seven judicial circuits there shall be the
17 number of resident judges of the circuit court set forth below, including the judge or
18 judges provided for by the Constitution:

19   (1)   Allegany 2

20   (2)   Anne Arundel.. **[11] 12**

21   (3)   Baltimore County .... **[17] 18**

22   (4)   Calvert... 2

EXPLANATION: **CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**
    [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

1   (5)   Caroline 1

2   (6)   Carroll 3

3   (7)   Charles 4

4   (8)   Cecil 3

5   (9)   Dorchester 1

6   (10)   Frederick 4

7   (11)   Garrett 1

8   (12)   Harford 5

9   (13)   Howard 5

10   (14)   Kent 1

11   (15)   Montgomery .... **[21] 22**

12   (16)   Prince George's 23

13   (17)   Queen Anne's 1

14   (18)   St. Mary's 3

15   (19)   Somerset 1

16   (20)   Talbot 1

17   (21)   Washington 5

18   (22)   Wicomico 3

19   (23)   Worcester 3

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

22   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23   July 1, 2009.