

# SENATE BILL 205

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(9lr1610)

## ENROLLED BILL

— *Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation/Judiciary* —

Introduced by **The President (By Request) and Senator Zirkin**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

#### 2 **Judgeships – Circuit Court and District Court**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the number of resident judges of the circuit court in a certain  
4 county; altering the number of resident judges of the District Court in certain  
5 districts; and generally relating to judgeships in circuit courts and the District Court.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
8 Section 1–503 and 1–603(b)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

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#### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.*



Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

1–503.

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

6	(1)	Allegany.....	2
7	(2)	Anne Arundel .....	13
8	(3)	Baltimore County.....	20
9	(4)	Calvert.....	3
10	(5)	Caroline .....	1
11	(6)	Carroll.....	4
12	(7)	Cecil .....	4
13	(8)	Charles .....	5
14	(9)	Dorchester .....	1
15	(10)	Frederick .....	6
16	(11)	Garrett.....	1
17	(12)	Harford .....	6
18	(13)	Howard .....	5
19	(14)	Kent .....	1
20	(15)	Montgomery .....	24
21	(16)	Prince George’s.....	24
22	(17)	Queen Anne’s .....	1
23	(18)	St. Mary’s .....	3
24	(19)	Somerset.....	1
25	(20)	Talbot.....	1

1 (21) Washington ..... [5] 6

2 (22) Wicomico..... 4

3 (23) Worcester..... 3

4 (b) In Baltimore City there shall be 35 resident judges of the Circuit Court for  
5 Baltimore City.

6 1-603.

7 (b) In each of the districts provided for in § 1-602 of this subtitle, there shall be  
8 the following number of associate judges of the District Court:

9 (1) District 1 — 28

10 (2) District 2 — 6, two to be appointed from Wicomico County and two to  
11 be appointed from Worcester County

12 (3) District 3 — 6, two to be appointed from Cecil County

13 (4) District 4 — [6] 7, two to be appointed from Calvert County, **TWO TO**  
14 **BE APPOINTED FROM ST. MARY’S COUNTY**, and three to be appointed from Charles  
15 County

16 (5) District 5 — [17] 19

17 (6) District 6 — 13

18 (7) District 7 — ~~9~~ **10** ~~10~~

19 (8) District 8 — [13] 15

20 (9) District 9 — 4

21 (10) District 10 — 7, two to be appointed from Carroll County and five to be  
22 appointed from Howard County

23 (11) District 11 — 5, three to be appointed from Frederick County and two  
24 to be appointed from Washington County

25 (12) District 12 — 3, two to be appointed from Allegany County

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
27 1, 2019.