



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis

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Am. H.B. 174*

132nd General Assembly
(As Reported by H. Civil Justice)

Reps. Hughes and Lanese, Duffey, Blessing, Craig, K. Smith

BILL SUMMARY

- Adds two judges to the Domestic Relations Division of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, one to be elected in 2018 and one to be elected in 2020.
 - Declares an emergency.
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CONTENT AND OPERATION

Judges of Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division

The bill adds two judges to current law's five judges of the Division of Domestic Relations of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas. One of the added judges is to be elected in 2018, term to begin January 9, 2019, and one of the added judges is to be elected in 2020, term to begin January 2, 2021.¹ They are to be elected and designated as judges of the Division of Domestic Relations of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, with all the powers relating to juvenile courts, and all cases under the juvenile court and child delinquency laws, all parentage proceedings over which the juvenile court has jurisdiction, and all divorce, dissolution of marriage, legal separation, and annulment cases.² The two judges are in addition to the current twenty-two judges of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas.³

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the House Civil Justice Committee appeared in the House Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 2301.02(C) and 2301.03(A).

² R.C. 2301.03(A).

³ R.C. 2301.02(C).

The bill, if enacted, is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. The bill states that the reason for such necessity is to allow judicial candidates to meet the filing deadlines to appear on the ballot in 2018.⁴

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	04-05-17
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⁴ Section 3.

