March 16, 2009

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2121

Page 1, line 2, replace "three" with "two" and after the semicolon insert "and"

Page 1, line 4, replace "; to provide an" with a period

Page 1, remove line 5

Page 1, replace lines 14 through 24 with:

"27-05-01. Judicial districts - Number of judges.

- The judicial districts in this state <u>and the number of judges in each of the judicial districts</u> are as designated by rule of the supreme court. The number of judges in each of the judicial districts is as follows:
 - a. The northwest judicial district shall have five judges.
 - b. The northeast judicial district shall have three judges.
 - e. The northeast central judicial district shall have four judges.
 - d. The east central judicial district shall have four judges.
 - e. The southeast judicial district shall have three judges.
 - f. The south central judicial district shall have five judges.
 - g. The southwest judicial district shall have three judges."

Page 2, remove lines 5 through 21

Page 5, remove lines 1 through 9

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment reduces the new judgeships from three to two and amends North Dakota Century Code Section 27-05-01 to provide that the number of judges in each judicial district shall be determined by rule of the Supreme Court.