

2026 SESSION

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1 **HOUSE BILL NO. 194**

2 Offered January 14, 2026

3 Prefiled January 7, 2026

4 *A BILL to amend and reenact § 16.1-69.6:1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to maximum number of judges*
5 *in each judicial district.*

6 Patrons—McQuinn, Cherry and Ware

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8 Committee Referral Pending
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10 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

11 **1. That § 16.1-69.6:1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

12 **§ 16.1-69.6:1. Number of judges.**

13 For the several judicial districts there shall be full-time general district court judges and juvenile and
14 domestic relations district court judges, the maximum number as hereinafter set forth, who shall during their
15 service reside within their respective districts, except as provided in § 16.1-69.16, and whose compensation
16 and powers shall be the same as now and hereafter prescribed for general district court judges and juvenile
17 and domestic relations district court judges.

18 The maximum number of judges of the districts shall be as follows:

	General District Court Judges	Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judges
21 First	4	4
22 Second	7	7
23 Two-A	2	1
24 Third	2	3
25 Fourth	6	5
26 Fifth	3	2
27 Sixth	5	3
28 Seventh	4	4
29 Eighth	3	3
30 Ninth	4	4
31 Tenth	3	3
32 Eleventh	3	3
33 Twelfth	5-6	6-7
34 Thirteenth	6	5
35 Fourteenth	5	5
36 Fifteenth	8	9
37 Sixteenth	4	6
38 Seventeenth	3	2
39 Eighteenth	2	2
40 Nineteenth	12	8
41 Twentieth	4	4
42 Twenty-first	2	2
43 Twenty-second	3	4
44 Twenty-third	4	5
45 Twenty-fourth	3	6
46 Twenty-fifth	4	5
47 Twenty-sixth	5	7
48 Twenty-seventh	5	5
49 Twenty-eighth	3	3
50 Twenty-ninth	2	3
51 Thirtieth	2	3
52 Thirty-first	6	6

53 The election or appointment of any district judge shall be subject to the provisions of § 16.1-69.9:3.

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