HOUSE BILL NO. 934

INTRODUCED BY THOMAS, VAN VALKENBURG, B. BROWN, KEATING, SWIFT, MERCER, HARP, THOFT, BENEDICT, RYE, CRIPPEN, MAZUREK, BLAYLOCK, DOHERTY, YELLOWTAIL, REAM, COBB, FRITZ, FARRELL, WYATT, SQUIRES, WHALEN, TOOLE, CONNELLY, WANZENRIED, FAGG, COCCHIARELLA, DRISCOLL, HAYNE, WALLIN, KADAS, T. NELSON, MESSMORE, J. RICE, STRIZICH, PHILLIPS, GOULD, HOFFMAN, R. JOHNSON, HALLIGAN

	IN THE HOUSE
FEBRUARY 18, 1991	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
FEBRUARY 19, 1991	FIRST READING.
MARCH 14, 1991	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
	ON MOTION, REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
MARCH 15, 1991	PRINTING REPORT.
MARCH 25, 1991	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 26, 1991	PRINTING REPORT.
MARCH 28, 1991	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED. BILL PLACED ON THIRD READING THIS DAY.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 82; NOES, 17.
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
	IN THE SENATE
MARCH 28, 1991	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
	FIRST READING.

COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE

CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT

APRIL 11, 1991

ADOPTED.

APRIL 13, 1991 SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN AS

AMENDED.

APRIL 15, 1991 THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.

AYES, 46; NOES, 2.

RETURNED TO HOUSE WITH AMENDMENTS.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 17, 1991 RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS

CONCURRED IN.

APRIL 18, 1991 THIRD READING, AMENDMENTS

CONCURRED IN.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

9

10

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19 20

21

23

24

25

1	HOLLSE BILL NO. 934
2	INTRODUCED BY Thomas Ve Valkenhandlelling Bol Brown of
3,	MERCER HARP TOUR BUNGER CAN MOSAUL
، سکیں	A BULL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A COMMISSION
5	TO STODY THE ADIGNMENT OF JUDICIAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDENCE FOR
6	THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION; APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR THE
7	COMMISSION; CREATING THE 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AMENDING
8	SECTION 3-5-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DAPES."
9 A	Thesmore the while the Copie
19	WHEREAS, demographics have changed dramatically in
11	Montana in the last decade; and
12	WHEREAS, census data that is currently available will be
13	the most reliable data available for reapportioning judicial
14	districts for the next decade; and
15	WHEREAS, the number of filings in some district courts
16	has grown at a greater rate than the number of filings in
17	other district courts; and
18	WHEREAS, the cost of the court system is an issue of
19	increasing importance in Montana.
20	
21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
22	NEW SECTION. Section 1. Judicial district study. (1)
23	There is a judicial district study commission. The
24	commission consists of seven members from the following
25	groups:

	(a) two	members	of opposite	parties	from the	house of
!	representati	ves, chose	n from diffe	erent geo	graphical	regions
}	by the speak	er;				

- (b) two members of opposite parties from the senate, chosen from different geographical regions by the committee on committees;
- (c) a public member, chosen by the chief justice, from a geographical region different from that of the member chosen by the governor;
- (d) a public member, chosen by the governor, from a geographical region different from that of the member chosen by the chief justice; and
- (e) a representative of the state bar, chosen by the president of the state bar.
- (2) The commission shall analyze population demographics, population trends, existing and projected district court caseloads, and the travel distances within districts. Based on its analysis, the commission shall prepare a report and recommendations for realigning judicial districts for consideration by the 53rd legislature.
- (3) The commission shall receive staff assistance from the legislative council. The office of the legislative auditor, the department of commerce, and the office of the supreme court administrator shall assist and cooperate with the commission as required.

- 1 (4) Legislative members shall receive compensation and 2 expenses as provided in 5-2-302. Public members and the state bar representative shall receive mileage and expenses 3 4 as provided in 2-18-501 through 2-18-503.
- NEW SECTION. Section 2. Appropriation. 5 There appropriated \$7,500 from the general fund to the legislative 6 council for purposes of the study required by [this act].
- Section 3. Section 3-5-101, MCA, is amended to read: 8
- "3-5-101. Judicial districts defined. In this state 9 10 there are 20 21 judicial districts, distributed as follows:
- (1) 1st district: Lewis and Clark and Broadwater 11 Counties: 12
- 13 (2) 2nd district: Silver Bow County;
- (3) 3rd district: Deer Lodge, Granite, and Powell 14 Counties: 15
- (4) 4th district: Missoula; and Mineral; -and-Ravalli 16 17 Counties;
- (5) 5th district: Beaverhead, Jefferson, and Madison 18 19 Counties;
 - (6) 6th district: Park and Sweet Grass Counties;
- 21 (7) 7th district: Dawson, McCone, Richland, Prairie, 22

23

25

Counties;

- (9) 9th district: Teton, Pondera, Toole, and Glacier 24
- and Wibaux Counties: (8) 8th district: Cascade County;

- (10) 10th district: Fergus, Judith Basin, and Petroleum 2 Counties:
- (11) 11th district: Flathead County;
- and Chouteau 4 (12) 12th district: Liberty, Hill,
- Counties;
- (13) 13th district: Yellowstone, Stillwater, Carbon, and 6
- 7 Big Horn Counties:
- (14) 14th district: Meagher, Wheatland, Golden Valley, R
- 9 and Musselshell Counties:
- (15) 15th district: Roosevelt, Daniels, and Sheridan 10
- 11 Counties:
- (16) 16th district: Custer, Carter, Fallon, Powder 12
- River, Garfield, Treasure, and Rosebud Counties; 13
- Valley (17) 17th district: Phillips, Blaine, and 14
- Counties: 15
- (18) 18th district: Gallatin County; 16
- 17 (19) 19th district: Lincoln County;
- (20) 20th district: Lake and Sanders Counties; 18
- (21) 21st district: Ravalli County." 19
- NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective dates. (1) [Sections 20
- 1, 2, and this section are effective July 1, 1991. 21
- (2) [Sections 3 and 5] are effective January 1, 1992. 22
- 23 NEW SECTION. Section 5. Applicability. The judge for
- the 21st judicial district must be appointed by the governor 24
- in March 1992 and shall take office after appointment. 25

STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0934, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act creating a commission to study the alignment of judicial districts and creating a 21st judicial district in Ravalli County.

ASSUMPTIONS:

Legislative Council:

- 1. The Judicial District Study Commission will meet a minimum of five times during the biennium.
- 2. Commission members will be compensated as provided in Section 1(4) of the bill.
- 3. All information to be compiled and analyzed by the Commission is available through the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the State Data Center (Dept. of Commerce), or the Office of the Administrator of the Montana Supreme Court.
- 4. The bill appropriates \$7,500 from the general fund to the Legislative Council for the study; however, total expenses for the biennium are estimated to be about \$9,000.

Judiciary:

- 5. The newly appointed district judge would take office in March, 1992.
- 6. Training and travel expenses would be required for a newly appointed district judge during each year of the biennium.
- 7. Salaries, training, and travel expenses for district court judges are paid from the state general fund. Other district court expenses are paid by the respective county governments.

FISCAL IMPACT:

see next page

ROD SUNDSTED, BUDGET DIRECTOR

DATE

Office of Budget and Program Planning

FRED THOMAS, PRIMARY SPONSOR

3-15-91

DATE

Fiscal Note for HB0934, as introduced

HB 934-1

Fiscal Note Request, <u>HB0934</u>, as introduced Form BD-15
Page 2

FISCAL IMPACT:

Legislative Council-Judicial District Study Commission

		FY '92			FY '93	
Expenditures:	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
Personal Services	0	915	915	0	916	916
Operating Costs	0	3,604	3,604	<u>0</u>	3,604	3,604
Total	0	4,519	4,519	0	4,520	4,520
Funding:						
General Fund (01)	0	4,519	4,519	0	4,520	4,520
Judiciary-21st District Court						
FTE	0	. 33	. 33	0	1.00	1.00
Personal Services	0	22,200	22,200	0	65,013	65,013
Operating Costs	0	2,900	2,900	0	1,600	1,600
Total	0	25,100	25,100	0	66,613	66,613
<u>Funding:</u>						
General Fund (01)	0	25,100	25,100	0	66,613	66,613
General Fund Impact (decrease)			(29,619)			(71,133)

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

There will be a fiscal impact on Ravalli County from the creation of a new district court. Court expenses other than judges' salaries, travel, and training must be paid by county government.

TECHNICAL NOTE:

The bill appropriates \$7,500 to the Legislative Council for the Judicial District Study Commission but does not provide an appropriation to the Judiciary for the expenses of the new judicial district.

population

6

10

11 12

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

1	House BILL NO. 934
2	INTRODUCED BY THOMAN Valathalan Bul Brown &
3,	MERCER HARP Tof Bending Com Magnet
4- 7	A BOLL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A COMMISSION
5	TO STOOY THE ALIGNMENT OF JUDICIAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR
6	THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION; APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR THE
7	COMMISSION: CREATING THE 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AMENDING
8	SECTION 3-5-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES!" Reclus
9 A	Messure Shin Who Chillying
19(0)	WHEREAS, demographics have changed dramatically in
11 0	Montana in the last decade; and
12	WHEREAS, census data that is currently available will be
13	the most reliable data available for reapportioning judicial
14	districts for the next decade; and
15	WHEREAS, the number of filings in some district courts
16	has grown at a greater rate than the number of filings in
17	other district courts; and
18	WHEREAS, the cost of the court system is an issue of
19	increasing importance in Montana.
20	
21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
22	NEW SECTION. Section 1. Judicial district study. (1)
23	There is a judicial district study commission. The
24	commission consists of seven members from the following
25	groups:

(a	()	two	men	bers	o£	opi	posite	par	ties	from	the	house	0
repres	ent	ativ	es,	chose	n £	rom	diffe	rent	geo	graph:	ical	regi	on:
by the	sp	eake	r;										

- (b) two members of opposite parties from the senate, chosen from different geographical regions by the committee on committees:
- 7 (c) a public member, chosen by the chief justice, from 8 a geographical region different from that of the member 9 chosen by the governor;
 - (d) a public member, chosen by the governor, from a geographical region different from that of the member chosen by the chief justice; and
- 13 (e) a representative of the state bar, chosen by the president of the state bar.

commission

demographics, population trends, existing and projected district court caseloads, and the travel distances within districts. Based on its analysis, the commission shall prepare a report and recommendations for realigning judicial

shall

- 21 (3) The commission shall receive staff assistance from 22 the legislative council. The office of the legislative
- 23 auditor, the department of commerce, and the office of the 24 supreme court administrator shall assist and cooperate with

districts for consideration by the 53rd legislature.

25 the commission as required.

(2) The

SECOND READING

analyze

HB 934

- 1 (4) Legis'ative members shall receive compensation and 2 expenses as provided in 5-2-302. Public members and the 3 state bar representative shall receive mileage and expenses 4 as provided in 2-18-501 through 2-18-503.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 2.** Appropriation. There is 6 appropriated \$7,500 from the general fund to the legislative 7 council for purposes of the study required by [this act].
- **Section 3.** Section 3-5-101, MCA, is amended to read:
- 9 "3-5-101. Judicial districts defined. In this state
 10 there are 20 21 judicial districts, distributed as follows:
- 11 (1) 1st district: Lewis and Clark and Broadwater
- 12 Counties:
- 13 (2) 2nd district: Silver Bow County;
- 14 (3) 3rd district: Deer Lodge, Granite, and Powell
- 15 Counties;
- 16 (4) 4th district: Missoula, and Mineral, and Ravalli
- 17 Counties:
- 18 (5) 5th district: Beaverhead, Jefferson, and Madison
- 19 Counties;

23

- (6) 6th district; Park and Sweet Grass Counties;
- 21 (7) 7th district: Dawson, McCone, Richland, Prairie,
- 22 and Wibaux Counties;
 - (8) 8th district: Cascade County;
- 24 (9) 9th district: Teton, Pondera, Toole, and Glacier
- 25 Counties:

- 1 (10) 10th district: Fergus, Judith Basin, and Petroleum
- 2 Counties;
- 3 (11) 11th district: Flathead County;
- 4 (12) 12th district: Liberty, Hill, and Chouteau
- Counties;
- 6 (13) 13th district: Yellowstone, Stillwater, Carbon, and
- 7 Big Horn Counties;
- 8 (14) 14th district: Meagher, Wheatland, Golden Valley,
- 9 and Musselshell Counties;
- 10 (15) 15th district: Roosevelt, Daniels, and Sheridan
- 11 Counties;
- 12 (16) 16th district: Custer, Carter, Fallon, Powder
- 13 River, Garfield, Treasure, and Rosebud Counties;
- 14 (17) 17th district: Phillips, Blaine, and Valley
- 15 Counties;
- 16 (18) 18th district: Gallatin County:
- 17 (19) 19th district: Lincoln County;
- 18 (20) 20th district: Lake and Sanders Counties:
- 19 (21) 21st district: Ravalli County."
- 20 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective dates. (1) [Sections
- 21 1, 2, and this section) are effective July 1, 1991.
- 22 (2) [Sections 3 and 5] are effective January 1, 1992.
- NEW SECTION. Section 5. Applicability. The judge for
- 24 the 21st judicial district must be appointed by the governor
- 25 in March 1992 and shall take office after appointment.

re-referred and APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AS AMENDED

2	INTRODUCED BY THOMAS, VAN VALKENBURG, B. BROWN, KEATING,
3	SWIFT, MERCER, HARP, THOFT, BENEDICT, RYE, CRIPPEN, MAZUREK,
4	BLAYLOCK, DOHERTY, YELLOWTAIL, REAM, COBB, FRITZ, FARRELL,
5	WYATT, SQUIRES, WHALEN, TOOLE, CONNELLY, WANZENRIED, FAGG,
6	COCCHIARELLA, DRISCOLL, HAYNE, WALLIN, KADAS, T. NELSON,
7	MESSMORE, J. RICE, STRIZICH, PHILLIPS, GOULD,
8	HOFFMAN, R. JOHNSON, HALLIGAN
9	
10	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A COMMISSION
11	TO STUDY THE ALIGNMENT OF JUDICIAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR
12	THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION; APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR THE
13	COMMISSION; CREATINGTHE21ST-JUDICIAL-DISTRICT;-AMENDING
14	SECTION-3-5-1017MCA7 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATES
15	DATE."
16	
17	WHEREAS, demographics have changed dramatically in
18	Montana in the last decade; and
19	WHEREAS, census data that is currently available will be
20	the most reliable data available for reapportioning judicial
21	districts for the next decade; and
22	WHEREAS, the number of filings in some district courts
23	has grown at a greater rate than the number of filings in
24	other district courts; and
25	WHEREAS, the cost of the court system is an issue of

HOUSE BILL NO. 934

3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
4	NEW SECTION. Section 1. Judicial district study. (1)
5	There is a judicial district study commission. The
6	commission consists of seven members from the following
7	groups:
8	(a) two members of opposite parties from the house of
9	representatives, chosen from different geographical regions
10	by the speaker;
11	(b) two members of opposite parties from the senate,
12	chosen from different geographical regions by the committee
13	on committees;
14	(c) a public member, chosen by the chief justice, from
15	a geographical region different from that of the member
16	chosen by the governor;
17	(d) a public member, chosen by the governor, from a
18	geographical region different from that of the member chosen
19	by the chief justice; and
20	(e) a representative of the state bar, chosen by the
21	president of the state bar.
22	(2) The commission shall analyze population
23	demographics, population trends, existing and projected
24	district court caseloads, and the travel distances within

increasing importance in Montana.

2

25

districts. Based on its analysis, the commission shall

```
1
      prepare a report and recommendations for realigning judicial
 2
      districts for consideration by the 53rd legislature.
 3
          (3) The commission shall receive staff assistance from
 4
      the legislative council. The office of the legislative
 5
      auditor, the department of commerce, and the office of the
      supreme court administrator shall assist and cooperate with
 6
 7
      the commission as required.
 8
          (4) Legislative members shall receive compensation and
 9
      expenses as provided in 5-2-302. Public members and the
10
      state bar representative shall receive mileage and expenses
11
      as provided in 2-18-501 through 2-18-503.
12
          NEW SECTION. Section 2. Appropriation.
      appropriated $7,500 from the general fund to the legislative
13
14
      council for purposes of the study required by [this act].
15
          Section-3:--Section-3-5-1017-MCA7-is-amended-to-read:
16
          43-5-101---Judicial-districts--defined---In--this--state
17
      there-are-20 21-judicial-districtsy-distributed-as-follows:
18
          tlt--lst---district:--bewis--and--@lark--and--Broadwater
19
      Counties:
20
          (2) -- 2nd-district: -Silver-Bow-County;
21
          +3)--3rd--district:--Beer--bodgey--Granitey--and--Powell
22
      Counties;
23
          (4)--4th-district:-Missoular and--Mineral;--and--Ravalli
24
      Counties:
25
          +5+--5th--district:--Beaverhead;--Jefferson;-and-Madison
```

-3-

```
1
      Counties;
2
          +6+--6th-district+-Park-and-Sweet-Grass-Counties;
3
          +77--7th-district:-Dawson;--McCone;--Richland;--Frairie;
      and-Wibaux-Counties:
 5
          (8) -- 8th-district -- Cascade-County;
          +9)--9th--district:--Teton;--Pondera;-Toole;-and-Glacier
7
      Counties;
          f10)-10th-district:-Pergusy-Judith-Basiny-and--Petroleum
 9
      Countiest
10
          (11)-11th-district:-Plathead-County;
          +12}-12th---district:---biberty;---Hill;---and--Chouteau
11
12
      Counties:
          +131-13th-district:-Yellowstoney-Stillwatery-Carbony-and
13
14
      Big-Horn-Counties;
15
          +14}-14th-district:-Meagher;-Wheatland;--Golden--Valley;
16
      and-Musselshell-Counties;
17
          +15+-15th--district:--Rooseveltz--Banielsy--and-Sheridan
18
      Counties,
19
          +16+-16th--district:--Custer,--Carter,--Pallon,---Powder
20
      Rivery-Garfieldy-Treasurey-and-Rosebud-Counties;
          +17)-17th---district:---Philipsy---Blainey--and--Valley
21
22
      Counties;
23
          (18)-18th-district:-Gallatin-County;
24
          (19)-19th-district:-bincoln-County;
          (20)-20th-district:-bake-and-Sanders-Counties;
```

-4-

HB 0934/02

1	{21}-21st-district:-Ravalli-County-"
2	NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective dates. [1] [Sections
3	17-27-and-this-section}-are DATE. [THIS ACT] IS effective
4	July 1, 1991.
5	(2){Sections-3-and-5}-are-effective-danuary-17-1992-
6	NEW-SECTION: Section-5 Applicability: The judge-for
7	the-21st-judicial-district-must-be-appointed-by-the-governor
8	in-March-1992-and-shall-take-office-after-appointment-
	-End-

нв 934

25

2	INTRODUCED BY THOMAS, VAN VALKENBURG, B. BROWN, KEATING,
3	SWIFT, MERCER, HARP, THOFT, BENEDICT, RYE, CRIPPEN, MAZUREK,
4	BLAYLOCK, DOHERTY, YELLOWTAIL, REAM, COBB, FRITZ, FARRELL,
5	WYATT, SQUIRES, WHALEN, TOOLE, CONNELLY, WANZENRIED, FAGG,
6	COCCHIARELLA, DRISCOLL, HAYNE, WALLIN, KADAS, T. NELSON,
7	MESSMORE, J. RICE, STRIZICH, PHILLIPS, GOULD,
В	HOFFMAN, R. JOHNSON, HALLIGAN
9	
.0	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A COMMISSION
1	TO STUDY THE ALIGNMENT OF JUDICIAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR
2	THE DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION; APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR THE
.3	COMMISSION; CREATING-THE-21ST-JUDICIAL-DISTRICT; AMENDING
.4	SHOTION-3-5-1017MCA7 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATES
.5	DATE."
6	
.7	WHEREAS, demographics have changed dramatically in
8	Montana in the last decade; and
.9	WHEREAS, census data that is currently available will be
0	the most reliable data available for reapportioning judicial
!1	districts for the next decade; and
22	WHEREAS, the number of filings in some district courts
23	has grown at a greater rate than the number of filings in
24	other district courts, and

WHEREAS, the cost of the court system is an issue of

HOUSE BILL NO. 934

1	increasing importance in Montana.
2	
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
4	NEW SECTION. Section 1. Judicial district study. (1)
5	There is a judicial district study commission. The
6	commission consists of seven members from the following
7	groups:
8	(a) two members of opposite parties from the house of
9	representatives, chosen from different geographical regions
10	by the speaker;
11	(b) two members of opposite parties from the senate,
12	chosen from different geographical regions by the committee
13	on committees;
14	(c) a public member, chosen by the chief justice, from
15	a geographical region different from that of the member
16	chosen by the governor;
17	(d) a public member, chosen by the governor, from a
18	geographical region different from that of the member chosen
19	by the chief justice; and
20	(e) a representative of the state bar, chosen by the
21	president of the state bar.
22	(2) The commission shall analyze population
23	demographics, population trends, existing and projected
24	district court caseloads, and the travel distances within
25	districts. Based on its analysis, the commission shall

1	prepare a report and recommendations for realigning judicial
2	districts for consideration by the 53rd legislature.
3	(3) The commission shall receive staff assistance from
4	the legislative council. The office of the legislative
5	auditor, the department of commerce, and the office of the
6	supreme court administrator shall assist and cooperate with
7	the commission as required.
8	(4) Legislative members shall receive compensation and
9	expenses as provided in 5-2-302. Public members and the
10	state bar representative shall receive mileage and expenses
11	as provided in 2-18-501 through 2-18-503.
12	NEW SECTION. Section 2. Appropriation. There is
13	appropriated \$7,500 from the general fund to the legislative
14	council for purposes of the study required by [this act].
15	Section-3Section-3-5-1017-MCA7-is-amended-to-read:
16	#3-5-101Judicial-districtsdefinedInthisstate
17	there-are-20 21-judicial-districtsy-distributed-as-follows:
18	<pre>+1)istdistrict:bewisandClarkandBroadwater</pre>
19	Counties;
20	{2}2nd-district:-Silver-Bow-County;
21	(3)3rddistrict:BeerbodgeyGraniteyandPowell
22	Counties;
23	(4)4th-district:-Missoulay andMineralyandRavalli
24	Counties;
25	(5)5thdistrict:BeaverheadyJeffersony-and-Madison

1	Counties;
2	+6+6th-district:-Park-and-Sweet-Grass-Counties;
3	+77th-districtBawsonyMcConeyRichlandyPrairies
4	and-Wibaux-Counties;
5	(8)8th-district:-Cascade-County;
6	(9)9thdistrict:Teton;Ponders;-Toole;-and-Glacie
7	Counties;
8	(10)-18th-district:-Pergusy-Judith-Basiny-andPetroleum
9	Counties;
10	(11)-11th-district:-Plathead-County;
11	(12)-12thdistrictbiberty;BillyandChoutea
12	Counties;
13	(13)-13th-district:-Yellowstone;-Stillwater;-Carbon;-an
14	Big-Horn-Counties;
15	(14)-14th-district:-Meaghery-WheatlandyGoldenValley
16	and-Musselshell-Counties;
17	(15)-15thdistrict:Roosevelt;Baniels;and-Sherida
18	Counties;
19	(16)-16thdistrict:Custer,Carter,Palion,Powde
20	Rivery-Garfieldy-Treasurey-and-Rosebud-Counties;
21	(17)-17thdistrict:PhillipsyBlaineyandValle
22	Counties;
23	tl8;-l8th-district:-Gallatin-County;
24	(19)-19th-district:-bincoln-County;
25	+281-20th-district:-bake-and-Sanders-Counties;

HB 0934/02

1	(21)-21st-district:-Ravalli-County-		
2	NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective dates: [1] [Sections		
3	17-27-and-this-section -are DATE. [THIS ACT] IS effective		
4	July 1, 1991.		
5	(2){Sections-3-and-5}-are-effective-January-1,-1992-		
6	NEW-SECTION: Section-5:Applicability:Thejudge-for		
7	the-21st-judicial-district-must-be-appointed-by-the-governor		
8	in-March-1992-and-shall-take-office-after-appointment;		

-End-

-5-

HB 934

Page 1 of 2 April 11, 1991

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Judiciary having had under consideration House Bill No. 934 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that House Bill No. 934 be amended and as so amended be concurred in:

1. Title, lines 10 through 13. Following. ""AN ACT" on line 10 Strike: remainder of line 10 through "COMMISSION;" on line 13

Title, line 14.
 Following: "NCA;"

Insert: "CREATING THE 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AMENDING SECTION 3-5-101. HCA:"

Strike: "EFFECTIVE"
Insert: "APPLICABILITY"

3. Page 2, line 4 through page 3, line 14. Strike: sections 1 and 2 in their entirety

4. Page 5, lines 2 through 5. Strike: section 3 in its entirety

5. Page 5, line 9. Following: line 8

(1) 1st district: Lewis and Clark and Broadwater Counties:

(2) 2nd district: Silver Bow County:

(3) 3rd district: Deer Lodge, Granite, and Powell Counties;
(4) 4th district: Missoula, and Mineral, and Ravalli

Counties;

(5) 5th district: Beaverhead, Jefferson, and Madison Counties:

(6) 6th district: Park and Sweet Grass Counties;

(7) 7th district: Dawson, McCone, Richland, Prairie, and Wibaux Counties;

(8) 8th district: Cascade County;

(9) 9th district: Teton, Pondera, Toole, and Glacier

Counties; (10) 10th district: Fergus, Judith Basin, and Petroleum Counties:

(11) 11th district: Flathead County;

(12) 12th district: Liberty, Hill, and Chouteau Counties; (13) 13th district: Yellowstone, Stillwater, Carbon, and Big Horn Counties: (14) 14th district: Meagher, Wheatland, Golden Valley, and Musselshell Counties:

(15) 15th district: Roosevelt, Daniels, and Sheridan

Counties:

(16) 16th district; Custer, Carter, Fallon, Powder River, Garfield, Treasure, and Rosebud Counties;

(17) 17th district: Phillips, Blaine, and Valley Counties;

(18) 18th district: Gallatin County;

(19) 19th district: Lincoln County;

(20) 20th district: Lake and Sanders Counties;

(21) 21st district: Ravalli County.

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Applicability. The judge for the 21st judicial district must be appointed by the governor before January 1, 1993, and shall take office on January 1, 1993."

Richard Pinsoneault, Chairman

14 4-11-91 Ava. coord.

513 4-11 1:25 Sec. of Senate

HO 434 SENATE

Page 2 of 2 April 11, 1991

SENATE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AMENDMENT

April 13, 1991 9:15 am Mr. Chairman: I move to amend House Bill No. 934 (third reading copy -- blue) as follows:

Amend the Judiciary Standing Committee Report dated April 11, 1991 as follows:

Amend amendment 5. "Section 2. Applicability."

Strike: "appointed by the governor before January 1, 1993"

Following: "must be"

Insert: "elected at the general election to be held in November, 1992"

ADOPT

REJECT

Signed: Selfator Blaylock

HB 934

SENATE

1	HOUSE BILL NO. 934	1	WHEREAS, the cost of the court system is an issue of
2	INTRODUCED BY THOMAS, VAN VALKENBURG, B. BROWN, KEATING,	2	increasing importance in Montana.
3	SWIFT, MERCER, HARP, THOFT, BENEDICT, RYE, CRIPPEN, MAZUREK,	3	
4	BLAYLOCK, DOHERTY, YELLOWTAIL, REAM, COBB, FRITZ, FARRELL,	4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
5	WYATT, SQUIRES, WHALEN, TOOLE, CONNELLY, WANZENRIED, FAGG,	5	NEW-SECTION: Section-1: Judicial-districtstudy:(i)
6	COCCHIARELLA, DRISCOLL, HAYNE, WALLIN, KADAS, T. NELSON,	6	ThereisajudicialdistrictstudycommissionThe
7	MESSMORE, J. RICE, STRIZICH, PHILLIPS, GOULD,	7	commission-consists-ofsevenmembersfromthefollowing
8	HOFFMAN, R. JOHNSON, HALLIGAN	8	groups:
9		9	(a)twomembersof-opposite-parties-from-the-house-of
10	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EREATING A COMMISSION	10	representatives;-chosen-from-different-geographicalregions
11	TOSTUDY-THE-ALIGNMENT-OF-JUDICIAL-DISTRICTS;-PROVIDING-FOR	11	by-the-speaker;
12	THE-DUTIES-OF-THE-COMMISSION;-APPROPRIATING-PUNDING-PORTHE	12	(b)twomembersofopposite-parties-from-the-senate,
13	COMMISSION; CREATINGTHE21ST-JUDICIAL-DISTRICT; AMENDING	13	chosen-from-different-geographical-regions-by-thecommittee
14	SECTION-3-5-1017-MCA; CREATING THE 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT;	14	on-committees;
15	AMENDING SECTION 3-5-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE	15	<pre>(c)apublic-member;-chosen-by-the-chief-justice;-from</pre>
16	APPLICABILITY BATES DATE."	16	a-geographical-region-differentfromthatofthemember
17		17	chosen-by-the-governor;
18	WHEREAS, demographics have changed dramatically in	18	(d)apublicmember,chosenby-the-governor,-from-a
19	Montana in the last decade; and	19	geographical-region-different-from-that-of-the-member-chosen
20	WHEREAS, census data that is currently available will be	20	by-the-chief-justice;-and
21	the most reliable data available for reapportioning judicial	21	(e)a-representative-of-the-state-barychosenbythe
22	districts for the next decade; and	22	president-of-the-state-bar:
23	WHEREAS, the number of filings in some district courts	23	(2)Thecommissionshailanalyzepopulation
24	has grown at a greater rate than the number of filings in	24	demographicspopulationtrendsexistingandprojected
25	other district courts; and	25	districtcourtcaseloads;and-the-travel-distances-within



-2-

1	districtsBasedonitsanalysis;thecommissionshall	1	(5)5th-district:-Beaverhead,Jefferson,andMadison
2	prepare-a-report-and-recommendations-for-realigning-judicial	2	Counties;
3	districts-for-consideration-by-the-53rd-legislature-	3	(6)6th-district:-Park-and-Sweet-Grass-Counties;
4	(3)Thecommission-shall-receive-staff-assistance-from	4	(7)7thdistrict:Bawson;McCone;-Richland;-Prairie;
5	the-legislativecouncil;Theofficeofthelegislative	5	and-Wibaux-Counties;
6	anditor; the department of - commerce; - and - the - office - of - the	6	(8)Bth-district:-Cascade-County;
7	supreme-court-administrator-shall-assist-and-cooperatewith	7	+9)9th-district:-Teton;-Pondera;Toole;andGlacier
8	the-commission-as-required:	8	Counties;
9	<pre>+4)begislativemembers-shall-receive-compensation-and</pre>	9	(10)-10thdistrict:-Pergus,-Judith-Basin,-and-Petroleum
0	expenses-as-provided-in5-2-302;Publicmembersandthe	10	Counties;
1	statebar-representative-shall-receive-mileage-and-expenses	11	<pre>fil; -lith-district:-Flathead-County;</pre>
2	as-provided-in-2-18-501-through-2-18-503-	12	(12)-12thdistrict:biberty;Hill;andChouteau
3	NEW-SECTION: Section-2: Appropriation: There is	13	Counties;
4	appropriated-\$7,500-from-the-general-fund-to-the-legislative	14	(13)-13th-district:-Yellowstone,-Stillwater,-Carbon,-and
5	council-for-purposes-of-the-study-required-by-{this-act}:	15	Big-Horn-Counties;
6	Section-3:Section-3-5-101;-MCA;-is-amended-to-read:	16	(14)-14thdistrict:Meagher,-Wheatland,-Golden-Valley,
7	#3-5-101JudicialdistrictsdefinedInthis-state	17	and-Musselshell-Counties;
8	there-are-20 21-judicial-districts;-distributed-as-follows:	18	(15)-15th-district:Roosevelt;Baniels;andSheridan
9	++++stdistrict:bewisandClarkandBroadwater	19	Counties;
0	Counties,	20	(16)-16thdistrict:Custer;Carter;Pallon;Powder
1	(2)2nd-district:-Silver-Bow-County;	21	River,-Garfield,-Treasure,-and-Rosebud-Counties;
2	(3)3rddistrict:Deerbodge;Granite;andPowell	22	(17)-17thdistrict:Phillips,Blaine,andValley
3	Counties;	23	Counties;
4	(4)4thdistrict:Missoula; and-Mineral;-and-Ravalli	24	ti8)-18th-district:-Gallatin-County;
!5	Counties;	25	(19)-19th-district:-bincoln-County;

-4-

нв 934

2 f21)-21st-district:-Ravalli-County:" NEW-SECTION: -- Section-3: -- Effective dates -- (1) -{ Sections 3 4 17--27--and--this-section}-are BATE:-{THIS-ACT}-IS effective 5 July-1--1991-6 +2}--+Sections-3-and-5}-are-effective-January-1,-1992-7 NEW-SECTION:--Section-5:--Applicability:-The--judge--for 8 the-21st-judicial-district-must-be-appointed-by-the-governor 9 in-March-1992-and-shall-take-office-after-appointment-10 SECTION 1. SECTION 3-5-101, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ: "3-5-101. Judicial districts defined. In this state 11 12 there are 20 21 judicial districts, distributed as follows: 1.3 (1) 1st district: Lewis and Clark and Broadwater Counties: 14 15 (2) 2nd district: Silver Bow County; 16 (3) 3rd district: Deer Lodge, Granite, and Powell 17 Counties: (4) 4th district: Missoular and Mineraly-and-Ravalti 18 19 Counties; 20 (5) 5th district: Beaverhead, Jefferson, and Madison 21 Counties: 22 (6) 6th district: Park and Sweet Grass Counties: (7) 7th district: Dawson, McCone, Richland, Prairie, 23 and Wibaux Counties; 24 25 (8) 8th district: Cascade County;

-5-

(20)-20th-district:-bake-and-Sanders-Counties;

1

1 (9) 9th district: Teton, Pondera, Toole, and Glacier Counties: (10) 10th district: Fergus, Judith Basin, and Petroleum Counties: (11) 11th district: Flathead County; (12) 12th district: Liberty, Hill, and Chouteau Counties: (13) 13th district: Yellowstone, Stillwater, Carbon, and Big Horn Counties; 10 (14) 14th district: Meagher, Wheatland, Golden Valley, 11 and Musselshell Counties; 12 (15) 15th district: Roosevelt, Daniels, and Sheridan 13 Counties: 14 (16) 16th district: Custer, Carter, Fallon, Powder 15 River, Garfield, Treasure, and Rosebud Counties; 16 (17) 17th district: Phillips, Blaine, and Valley 17 Counties: 18 (18) 18th district: Gallatin County; 19 (19) 19th district: Lincoln County; 20 (20) 20th district: Lake and Sanders Counties; 21 (21) 21st district: Ravalli County." NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. APPLICABILITY. THE JUDGE FOR 22 THE 21ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT MUST BE APPOINTED-BY-THE-GOVERNOR 2.3 24 BEFORE-JANUARY-17-19937 ELECTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO

HB 934

BE HELD IN NOVEMBER 1992 AND SHALL TAKE OFFICE ON JANUARY 1,

HB 0934/03

1 1993.

-End-

HB 934