

# SB0180



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB0180

Introduced 1/17/2025, by Sen. Paul Faraci

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

705 ILCS 35/2f-14

Amends the Circuit Courts Act. Provides, in a provision concerning resident judgeships of the 6th judicial circuit, that when a vacancy occurs in an at-large judgeship, the at-large judgeship shall be converted to a resident judgeship for either Champaign County or Macon County, depending on which of those 2 counties the incumbent at-large circuit judge resided in when the incumbent judge was elected. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning courts.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Circuit Courts Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 2f-14 as follows:

6 (705 ILCS 35/2f-14)

7 Sec. 2f-14. 6th judicial circuit; resident judgeships.

8 (a) The at-large judgeships of the 6th judicial circuit  
9 existing on January 7, 2022 shall be converted to resident  
10 judgeships as provided in this subsection as those judgeships  
11 are or become vacant. When a vacancy occurs in an at-large  
12 judgeship of the 6th judicial circuit, the at-large judgeship  
13 shall be converted to a resident judgeship for either  
14 Champaign County or Macon County, depending on which of those  
15 2 counties the incumbent at-large circuit judge resided in  
16 when the incumbent judge was elected. ~~The first 3 that become~~  
17 ~~vacant after January 7, 2022 (the effective date of Public Act~~  
18 ~~102-693) shall be converted to resident judgeships elected~~  
19 ~~from Champaign County. The remaining two at-large judgeships~~  
20 ~~that become vacant shall be converted to resident judgeships~~  
21 ~~elected from Macon County.~~ Thereafter, persons elected to  
22 those resident judgeships shall be residents of the county  
23 which elects them.

1           (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly not to create  
2 any additional judgeships in the 6th judicial circuit by  
3 Public Act 102-693 and this amendatory Act of the 102nd  
4 General Assembly. Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
5 to the contrary, the conversion of at-large judgeships to  
6 resident judgeships under subsection (a) of this Section shall  
7 not entitle the 6th judicial circuit to any additional circuit  
8 judgeships elected at-large.

9           (Source: P.A. 102-693, eff. 1-7-22; 102-1126, eff. 2-10-23.)

10           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
11 becoming law.