## SENATE BILL 5205

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By Senators Hargrove, Sheldon, Fraser, and Kline; by request of Board For Judicial Administration

Read first time 01/16/09. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to changing the number of court of appeals judges;
- 2 and amending RCW 2.06.020.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.06.020 and 1999 c 75 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:
- The court shall have three divisions, one of which shall be headquartered in Seattle, one of which shall be headquartered in Spokane, and one of which shall be headquartered in Tacoma:
- 9 (1) The first division shall have twelve judges from three 10 districts, as follows:
- 11 (a) District 1 shall consist of King county and shall have eight 12 judges;
- 13 (b) District 2 shall consist of Snohomish county and shall have two judges; and
- 15 (c) District 3 shall consist of Island, San Juan, Skagit, and 16 Whatcom counties and shall have two judges.
- 17 (2) The second division shall have ((seven)) eight judges from the following districts:

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- 1 (a) District 1 shall consist of Pierce county and shall have three 2 judges;
- 3 (b) District 2 shall consist of Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, 4 Kitsap, Mason, and Thurston counties and shall have ((two)) three 5 judges;
- 6 (c) District 3 shall consist of Clark, Cowlitz, Lewis, Pacific, Skamania, and Wahkiakum counties and shall have two judges.
- 8 (3) The third division shall have five judges from the following 9 districts:
- 10 (a) District 1 shall consist of Ferry, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend 11 Oreille, Spokane, and Stevens counties and shall have two judges;
- (b) District 2 shall consist of Adams, Asotin, Benton, Columbia,
- 13 Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Walla Walla, and Whitman counties and shall
- 14 have one judge;
- 15 (c) District 3 shall consist of Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, 16 Klickitat, and Yakima counties and shall have two judges.

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