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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING REFORM OF THE PROBATE COURT SYSTEM."

1 Strike subsection (a) of section 22 in its entirety and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(a) The probate redistricting commission established in section 21
4 of this act shall develop a plan for consolidating the probate court
5 districts established in sections 45a-2 to 45a-6k, inclusive, of the general
6 statutes. Under the plan, there shall be no fewer than forty-four
7 probate court districts and no more than sixty probate court districts.
8 Additional criteria to be considered by the probate redistricting
9 commission when establishing probate court districts under the plan
10 include (1) a requirement that each probate court district contain a
11 minimum population of forty thousand persons determined in
12 accordance with the last annual population estimate by the
13 Department of Public Health as of October 1, 2008, for each city or
14 town, or in the alternative, an annual weighted-workload of the court

15 of three thousand, calculated in accordance with subdivision (6) of
16 section 12 of this act, provided the plan may allow for probate court
17 districts that do not meet either requirement set forth in this
18 subdivision, taking into consideration the following criteria: (A) The
19 geographic accessibility of the probate court to residents of the
20 proposed probate court district; (B) the availability of municipal
21 facilities to house the probate court; and (C) communities of interest
22 among municipalities sharing a proposed probate court district; (2) a
23 requirement that no municipality may be included in more than one
24 probate court district; and (3) any other criteria deemed appropriate
25 and necessary by the probate redistricting commission."