



General Assembly

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Offered by:
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6385 File No. 729 Cal. No. 672

(As Amended)

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

1 Strike section 15 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
2 thereof:

3 "Sec. 15. Section 45a-18 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

5 (a) There shall be a court of probate in each probate district held by
6 one judge elected by the electors residing in such district at the state
7 election in 1974, and every four years thereafter.

8 (b) Each judge of probate shall hold office for four years beginning
9 on the Wednesday after the first Monday in January next following his
10 or her election.

11 (c) No judge of probate elected at a state election on or after
12 November 2, 2010, may be elected to more than three four-year terms

13 as judge of probate after November 2, 2010. No judge of probate first
14 elected after January 5, 2011, pursuant to an election to fill a vacancy or
15 impending vacancy under section 9-218, may be elected for more than
16 three four-year terms after the term that is the subject of the election to
17 fill such vacancy or impending vacancy.

18 [(c)] (d) Each judge of probate, before entering upon his or her
19 duties as a judge of probate, shall be sworn and shall record his or her
20 certificate of election upon the records of his or her court of probate.

21 [(d) He] (e) Each judge of probate shall appoint a clerk and may
22 appoint one or more assistant clerks, each of whom shall be sworn to a
23 faithful performance of [his] such clerk's duties and shall, when
24 required, give whatever bond the judge deems necessary. Each such
25 clerk shall continue in office until [he] such clerk resigns, is removed or
26 is superseded.

27 (f) Each judge of probate elected for a term that begins on or after
28 January 5, 2011, shall be a member of the bar of the state of
29 Connecticut, except that the requirements of this subsection shall not
30 apply to any judge of probate who was in office on January 4, 2011, for
31 the period such judge of probate continues to serve as a judge of
32 probate on and after January 5, 2011, without a break in service."