STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. PHEFFER AMATO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT to amend the judiciary law, in relation to the number of supreme court justices in each judicial district

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 140-a of the judiciary law, as amended by chapter 603 of the laws of 1973, subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 1006 of the laws of 1981, subdivision 2 as amended by chapter 690 of the laws of 2007, subdivision 3 as amended by chapter 711 of the laws of 1978, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, and 8 as amended by chapter 500 of the laws of 1982, subdivisions 9 and 10 as amended by section 1 of part XX of chapter 59 of the laws of 2018, subdivisions 11, 12 and 13 as amended by section 1 of part T of chapter 39 of the laws of 2019, and the closing paragraph as added by chapter 511 of the laws of 1993, is amended to read as follows:

§ 140-a. Number of supreme court justices in each judicial district. The number of justices of the supreme court in each judicial district shall be as follows:

1. First district, thirty-eight;
2. Second district, [~~forty-nine~~] **fifty**;
3. Third district, [~~fifteen~~] **sixteen**;
4. Fourth district, thirteen;
5. Fifth district, [~~seventeen~~] **eighteen**;
6. Sixth district, [~~ten~~] **eleven**;
7. Seventh district, [~~eighteen~~] **nineteen**;
8. Eighth district, [~~twenty-six~~] **twenty-seven**;
9. Ninth district, [~~twenty-nine~~] **thirty-one**;
10. Tenth district, [~~forty-eight~~] **fifty**;
11. Eleventh district, [~~forty-one~~] **forty-two**;
12. Twelfth district, [~~twenty-seven~~] **twenty-eight**;

EXPLANATION--Matter in **italics** (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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13. Thirteenth district, [~~five~~] **seven**.

No person may serve in the office of justice of the supreme court unless he or she has been admitted to practice law in the state of New York for at least ten years as of the date he or she commences the duties of office.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.