By Senator Smith; by request of Administrator for the Courts Read first time 01/08/96. Referred to Committee on Law \& Justice.

AN ACT Relating to superior court judges; and amending RCW 2.08.061.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Sec. 1. RCW 2.08 .061 and 1992 c 189 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

There shall be in the county of King no more than fifty-eight judges of the superior court; in the county of Spokane ten judges of the superior court; and in the county of Pierce nineteen judges of the superior court. The King county legislative authority may phase in the additional twelve judges, as authorized by the 1992 amendments to this section, over a period of time not to extend beyond July 1, ((1996)) 1999. No more than two of the additional twelve judges may take office prior to July 1, 1993.

END

