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By Representatives Sheahan and Costa; by request of Court of Appeals

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1 AN ACT Relating to court of appeals judicial positions; and
2 amending RCW 2.06.076.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 2.06.076 and 1993 c 420 s 2 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Any judicial position created by section 1, chapter 420, Laws
7 of 1993 shall be effective only if that position is specifically funded
8 and is referenced by division and district in an omnibus appropriations
9 act.

10 (2)(a) The full term of office for the judicial positions
11 authorized pursuant to chapter 420, Laws of 1993 shall be six years.

12 (b) The authorized judicial positions shall be filled at the
13 general election in the November immediately preceding the beginning of
14 the full term except as provided in (d) and (e) of this subsection.

15 (c) The six-year terms shall be staggered as ~~((provided in (c)(i)
16 through (iii) of this subsection.~~

17 ~~(i))~~ follows: In the first division, the initial full terms of
18 six years for the two positions in district 1 shall begin the second
19 Monday in January following the general election held in ~~((November~~

1 1993. If the effective dates for the judicial positions are later than
2 the deadline to include them in the November 1993 election, the initial
3 full terms shall begin the second Monday in January following the
4 general election held in)) November 1999. ((The initial full term of
5 six years for the position in district 3 shall begin on the second
6 Monday in January following the general election held in November
7 1996.)) If the effective date for the judicial ((position is))
8 positions are later than the deadline to include it in the November
9 ((1996)) 1999 election, the initial full term shall begin the second
10 Monday in January following the general election held in November
11 ((2002)) 2005.

12 (((ii) In the second division, the initial full term of six years
13 for the position in district 2 shall begin the second Monday in January
14 following the general election held in November 1994. If the effective
15 date of the judicial position is later than the deadline to include it
16 in the November 1994 election the initial full term shall begin the
17 second Monday in January following the general election held in
18 November 2000. The initial full term for the position in district 3
19 shall begin the second Monday in January following the general election
20 held in November 1998. If the effective date of the judicial position
21 is later than the deadline to include it in the November 1998 election,
22 the initial full term shall begin the second Monday in January
23 following the general election held in November 2004.

24 (iii) In the third division, the initial full term of six years for
25 the position in district 3 shall begin the second Monday in January
26 following the general election held in November 1994. If the effective
27 date of the judicial position is later than the deadline to include it
28 in the November 1994 election, the initial full term will begin the
29 second Monday in January following the general election held in
30 November 2000.))

31 (d) Upon becoming effective pursuant to subsection (1) of this
32 section, the governor shall appoint judges to the additional judicial
33 positions authorized in section 1, chapter 420, Laws of 1993. The
34 appointed judges shall hold office until the second Monday in January
35 following the general election following the effective date of the
36 position. The appointed judges and other judicial candidates are
37 entitled to run for the judicial position at the general election
38 following appointment.

1 (e) The initial election for these positions shall be held in
2 November following the effective date of the position. If the initial
3 election of a newly authorized position is not held on a date which
4 corresponds to the beginning of a full term as specified in (c)((~~i~~)
5 ~~through (iii)~~) of this subsection, the election shall be for a partial
6 term.

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