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By Representative Springer

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"Sec. 1. RCW 3.50.055 and 1993 c 317 s 4 are each amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding RCW 3.50.040 and 3.50.050, judicial positions may be filled only by election ((under the following circumstances:

- (1) Each full-time equivalent judicial position shall be filled by election. This requirement applies regardless of how many judges are employed to fill the position. For purposes of this section, a full-time equivalent position is thirty-five or more hours per week of compensated time.
- (2) In any city with one or more full-time equivalent judicial positions, an additional judicial position or positions that is or are in combination more than one-half of a full-time equivalent position shall also be filled by election)) in cities having a population of more than forty-five thousand."
- 17 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Strikes the underlying bill and instead requires election of municipal court judges in cities having a population of more than 45,000.