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To amend title 28, United States Code, to modify the composition of the southern judicial district of Mississippi, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 31, 2013

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi (for himself, Mr. HARPER, and Mr. PALAZZO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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A BILL

To amend title 28, United States Code, to modify the composition of the southern judicial district of Mississippi, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Division Realignment Act of 2013''.

SEC. 2. REALIGNMENT OF SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI.

Section 104(b) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"Southern District

"(b) The southern district comprises four divisions.

"(1) The Northern Division comprises the counties of Copiah, Hinds, Holmes, Issaquena, Kemper, Lauderdale, Leake, Madison, Neshoba, Newton, Noxubee, Rankin, Scott, Simpson, Sharkey, Smith, Warren, and Yazoo.

Court for the Northern Division shall be held at Jackson.

"(2) The Southern Division comprises the counties of George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River, and Stone.

Court for the Southern Division shall be held at Gulfport.

"(3) The Eastern Division comprises the counties of Clarke, Covington, Forrest, Jasper, Jefferson Davis, Jones, Lamar, Lawrence, Marion, Perry, Wayne, and Walthall.

Court for the Eastern Division shall be held at Hattiesburg.

"(4) The Western Division comprises the counties of Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, Pike, and Wilkinson.

Court for the Western Division shall be held at Natchez.".

SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act and the amendment made by this Act shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

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