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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to rotation of judges' names on the ballots in
2   certain counties.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1   Section 1. Section 46.21, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
2 2003, is amended to read as follows:
3   At least sixty-nine days before each judicial election, the
4 state commissioner of elections shall certify to the county
5 commissioner of elections of each county a list of the judges
6 of the supreme court, court of appeals, and district court
7 including district associate judges, full-time associate
8 juvenile judges, and full-time associate probate judges, and
9 clerks of the district court to be voted on in each county at
10 that election. The county commissioner of elections shall
11 place the names upon the ballot in the order in which they
12 appear in the certificate~-unless-only-one-county-is-voting~
13 ~thereon~. The state commissioner of elections shall rotate the
14 names in the certificate by county~-or-the-county-commissioner~
15 ~of-elections-shall-rotate-them-upon-the-ballot-by-precinct-if~
16 ~only-one-county-is-voting-thereon~. The names of all judges
17 and clerks to be voted on shall be placed upon one ballot,
18 which shall be in substantially the following form:
19   EXPLANATION
20   This bill strikes the requirement that the names of judges
21 standing for retention be rotated on the ballot if only one
22 county is voting on retention of the judges named.
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