



113TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2871

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

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 31, 2013

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

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. REALIGNMENT OF SOUTHERN JUDICIAL DIS-**  
4 **TRICT OF MISSISSIPPI.**

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

7 “Southern District

8 “(b) The southern district comprises four divisions.

1           “(1) The Northern Division comprises the coun-  
2           ties of Covich, Hinds, Holmes, Issaquena, Kemper,  
3           Lauderdale, Leake, Madison, Neshoba, Newton,  
4           Noxubee, Rankin, Scott, Simpson, Sharkey, Smith,  
5           Warren, and Yazoo.

6 Court for the Northern Division shall be held at Jackson.

7           “(2) The Southern Division comprises the coun-  
8           ties of George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson,  
9           Pearl River, and Stone.

10 Court for the Southern Division shall be held at Gulfport.

11           “(3) The Eastern Division comprises the coun-  
12           ties of Clarke, Covington, Forrest, Jasper, Jefferson  
13           Davis, Jones, Lamar, Lawrence, Marion, Perry,  
14           Wayne, and Walthall.

15 Court for the Eastern Division shall be held at Hatties-  
16 burg.

17           “(4) The Western Division comprises the coun-  
18           ties of Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Franklin, Jeffer-  
19           son, Lincoln, Pike, and Wilkinson.

20 Court for the Western Division shall be held at Natchez.”.

21 **SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

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