

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2012 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Judiciary

HB 4047 — Judicial Census Commissions

by Rep. Nehr (SB 522 by Senator Braynon)

This bill repeals s. 26.011, F.S., an obsolete statute, which provides for the use of judicial census commissions in determining the population of a judicial circuit. The Legislature created the judicial census commissions to determine the population of a given judicial circuit because the State Constitution formerly required one circuit judge for every 50,000 people in a circuit. The Constitution was amended in 1973 to provide for a different method of determining the number of circuit judges, making the judicial census commissions unnecessary.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions will take effect July 1, 2012.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 117-0