

# HOUSE BILL No. 5615

March 4, 1992, Introduced by Reps. Shugars, Brackenridge, Ostling and Middleton and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend section 1461 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, entitled as amended  
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"  
being section 600.1461 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 1461 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts  
2 of 1961, being section 600.1461 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1461. (1) ~~The term~~ AS USED IN THIS ACT, "newspaper"  
5 ~~as used in the revised judicature act of 1961 shall be construed~~  
6 ~~to refer only to~~ MEANS a newspaper published in the English lan-  
7 guage for the dissemination of local or transmitted news and  
8 intelligence of a general character or for the dissemination of  
9 legal news, ~~which~~ THAT MEETS BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING  
10 REQUIREMENTS:

1 (a) ~~has~~ HAS a bona fide list of paying subscribers or has  
2 been published ~~at not less than weekly intervals~~ in the same  
3 community without interruption for at least 2 years. —

4 (b) ~~has~~ HAS been established, published, and circulated  
5 ~~at not less than weekly intervals~~ without interruption for at  
6 least 1 year in the county where the court is situated. A news-  
7 paper shall not lose eligibility for interruption of continuous  
8 publication because of acts of God, labor disputes, or military  
9 service of the publisher for a period of not to exceed 2 years,  
10 ~~and~~ provided publication is resumed within 6 months following  
11 the termination of ~~such~~ THE military service. —

12 ~~(c) annually averages at least 25% news and editorial con-~~  
13 ~~tent per issue. The term "news and editorial content" for the~~  
14 ~~purpose of this section means any printed matter other than~~  
15 ~~advertising.~~

16 (2) If no newspaper ~~so~~ qualifies in the county where the  
17 court is situated, the term "newspaper" shall include ~~any~~ A  
18 newspaper in an adjoining county ~~which by this section is quali-~~  
19 ~~fied to publish notice of actions commenced therein~~ THAT OTHER-  
20 WISE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (1).