

SENATE BILL No. 861

October 5, 1993, Introduced by Senator VAN REGENMORTER and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend section 1301 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of 1961, entitled as amended "Revised judicature act of 1961," being section 600.1301 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 1301 of Act No. 236 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1961, being section 600.1301 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 1301. (1) In counties having a population of less
- 5 than 2,000,000 SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3), the jury board -shall
- 6 consist IN EACH COUNTY CONSISTS of 3 qualified electors of the
- 7 county appointed by the governor on recommendation of the cir-
- 8 cuit judges of the judicial circuit in which the county is
- 9 situated AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), not more than 2 of whom
- 10 shall be members of the same political party. The first

- 1 appointment of members of the jury board shall be for terms of 2,
- 2 4 and 6 years. Thereafter EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3),
- 3 THE appointments shall be for 6-year terms.
- 4 (2) In counties having a population of 2,000,000 or more
- 5 the jury board shall consist of 7 qualified electors of the
- 6 county appointed for 6-year terms by the governor on recommenda-
- 7 tion of the circuit judges of the judicial circuit in which the
- 8 county is situated, not more than 4 of whom shall be members of
- 9 the same political party. The executive secretary and stenogra-
- 10 pher shall receive such compensation as is fixed by the board of
- 11 supervisors. AN APPOINTMENT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE MADE AS
- 12 FOLLOWS:
- 13 (A) IN A COUNTY THAT HAS A COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THE COUNTY
- 14 EXECUTIVE SHALL MAKE THE APPOINTMENT WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT
- 15 OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.
- 16 (B) IN A COUNTY THAT DOES NOT HAVE A COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THE
- 17 COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL MAKE THE APPOINTMENT ON REC-
- 18 OMMENDATION OF THE CIRCUIT JUDGES OF THE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN
- 19 WHICH THE COUNTY IS LOCATED.
- 20 (3) In a county -now having an appointive board or commis-
- 21 sion for the selection of jurors the members thereof shall serve
- 22 as members of the board created under this section until a
- 23 vacancy is created by expiration of term or otherwise. A new
- 24 appointment or an appointment to fill vacancies shall be made
- 25 under this section. If the number of board members is less than
- 26 previously, appointments to fill vacancies shall not be made
- 27 until the authorized number is reached. The board of supervisors

- 1 may prescribe the procedure for the orderly transition of
- 2 duties. HAVING A POPULATION OF 2,000,000 OR MORE, THE TERMS OF
- 3 SERVICE OF THE 7 MEMBERS OF THE JURY BOARD, AS THAT BOARD EXISTED
- 4 BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE 1993 AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED
- 5 THIS SECTION, SHALL END 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 6 1993 AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED THIS SECTION. THE MEMBERS OF
- 7 THE SUCCEEDING 3-MEMBER JURY BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED AS PROVIDED
- 8 IN SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (2) EXCEPT THAT OF THE MEMBERS FIRST
- 9 APPOINTED, 1 SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR A TERM OF 2 YEARS, 1 SHALL BE
- 10 APPOINTED FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS, AND 1 SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR A
- 11 TERM OF 6 YEARS.