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**PROBATE COURT: OUT-  
OF-STATE DISAPPEARANCES**

**House Bill 4563**

**Sponsor: Rep. Roland Jersevic**

**Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights**

**Complete to 3-27-95**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4563 AS INTRODUCED 3-9-95**

Public Act 452 of 1982 (enrolled Senate Bill 533) amended the Revised Probate Code to allow certain people to file a petition in probate court asking for a determination of the cause and date of death of people who appear to have died as a result of an accident or a disaster and whose remains have disappeared or are unidentifiable. Under the act, the probate court with jurisdiction is that of the county in which the accident or disaster occurred (or the county or counties adjacent to the part of the Great Lakes where the accident or disaster occurred, if it occurred on or in the Great Lakes).

The bill would add a new subsection to this part of the probate code to specify that, if the accident or disaster occurred outside of Michigan, the probate court of the (presumed dead) individual's county of residence would have jurisdiction.

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