

**SUBSTITUTE FOR**  
**SENATE BILL NO. 1132**  
(As amended May 27, 1998)

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled  
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"  
by amending sections 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510,  
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822, 8156, 8157, and 8158 (MCL 600.502, 600.503, 600.504,  
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600.549d, 600.549e, 600.549f, 600.549g, 600.549h, 600.550a, 600.821, 600.822, 600.8156, 600.8157, and 600.8158), sections 504 and 821 as amended by 1996 PA 388, sections 506, 517, 521, 535, 536, 538, 549, and 550a as amended and section 549h as added by 1990 PA 54, sections 507 and 534 as amended by 1994 PA 138, sections 510, 518, 528, and 537 as amended by 1988 PA 134, section 522 as amended and section 549g as added by 1981 PA 182, sections 541 and 549f as amended by 1980 PA 438, sections 542 and 547 as amended by 1984 PA 95, section 549e as added by 1980 PA 129, and section 822 as amended by 1996 PA 374, and by adding sections 549j, 549k, and 880e; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 502. The first judicial circuit consists of the county  
2 of Hillsdale and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS  
3 CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

4       Sec. 503. The second judicial circuit consists of the  
5 county of Berrien and has 4 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
6 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
7 2000.

8       Sec. 504. The third judicial circuit consists of the county  
9 of Wayne and has ~~35~~ 64 judges. ~~Pursuant to section 9931, this~~  
10 ~~circuit shall have 29 additional judges effective October 1,~~  
11 ~~1997.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 9 ADDI-  
12 TIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

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1       Sec. 505. The fourth judicial circuit consists of the  
2 county of Jackson and has 4 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
3 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
4 2000.

5       Sec. 506. ~~(1) except as provided in subsection (2), the~~  
6 ~~fifth judicial circuit consists of the counties of Barry and~~  
7 ~~Eaton and has 2 judges.~~

8       ~~(2) If the county of Barry approves the reformation of the~~  
9 ~~fifth judicial circuit pursuant to law and the county of Eaton~~  
10 ~~approves the creation of the fifty-sixth judicial circuit pursu-~~  
11 ~~ant to law, the~~ THE fifth judicial circuit consists of the  
12 county of Barry and has 1 judge. ~~effective January 1, 1991.~~  
13 PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL  
14 JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

15       Sec. 507. The sixth judicial circuit consists of the county  
16 of Oakland and has ~~16~~ 17 judges. ~~Subject to section 550, this~~  
17 ~~judicial circuit may have 1 additional judge effective January 1,~~  
18 ~~1995.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 4 ADDI-  
19 TIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

20       Sec. 508. The seventh judicial circuit consists of the  
21 county of Genesee and has 7 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
22 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 3 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
23 2000.

24       Sec. 509. The eighth judicial circuit consists of the coun-  
25 ties of Ionia and Montcalm and has 2 judges. PURSUANT TO  
26 SECTION 880E, THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY  
27 OF MONTCALM AND HAS 2 JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

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1       Sec. 510. The ninth judicial circuit consists of the county  
2 of Kalamazoo and has ~~4~~ 5 judges. ~~Subject to section 550, this~~  
3 ~~judicial circuit may have 1 additional judge effective January 1,~~  
4 ~~1989.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 3 ADDI-  
5 TIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

6       Sec. 511. The tenth judicial circuit consists of the county  
7 of Saginaw and has 5 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIR-  
8 CUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

9       Sec. 512. (1) The eleventh judicial circuit consists of the  
10 counties of Alger, Luce, and Schoolcraft and has 1 judge.  
11 PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E AND SECTION 8157, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL  
12 HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

13       (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
14 SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

15       (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF LUCE AND  
16 HAS 1 JUDGE.

17       (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ALGER  
18 AND SCHOOLCRAFT AND HAS 2 JUDGES.

19       (3) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
20 IN SUBSECTION (2)(B) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM  
21 OFFICE, OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 116 OF THE  
22 MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE ELEVENTH  
23 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSU-  
24 ANT TO SUBSECTION (5) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE  
25 VACANCY DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE  
26 FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED  
27 TO THAT OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT

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1 SUCCEEDING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO  
2 WHICH HE OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCES-  
3 SOR SHALL BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM  
4 WHICH THE PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUM-  
5 BENT REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
6 EXPIRED.

7 (4) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(B)  
8 FAILS OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
9 SECTION 413A OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
10 MCL 168.413A, WITHDRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
11 SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
12 MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM THE COUNTY OF ALGER TO THE  
13 COUNTY OF SCHOOLCRAFT, THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE  
14 DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) EFFEC-  
15 TIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE.

16 (5) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) OR (4), THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL  
17 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

18 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF LUCE AND  
19 HAS 1 JUDGE.

20 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ALGER AND  
21 HAS 1 JUDGE.

22 (C) THE THIRD DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF SCHOOLCRAFT  
23 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

24 Sec. 513. (1) The twelfth judicial circuit consists of the  
25 counties of Baraga, Houghton, and Keweenaw and has 1 judge.

26 PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL  
27 JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

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1 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
2 SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

3 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF HOUGHTON  
4 AND KEWEENAW AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

5 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF BARAGA AND  
6 HAS 1 JUDGE.

7 Sec. 514. (1) The thirteenth judicial circuit consists of  
8 the counties of Antrim, Grand Traverse, and Leelanau and has 2  
9 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 3  
10 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

11 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIR-  
12 CUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

13 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF GRAND  
14 TRAVERSE AND HAS 3 JUDGES.

15 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ANTRIM AND  
16 HAS 1 JUDGE.

17 (C) THE THIRD DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF LEELANAU  
18 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

19 Sec. 515. The fourteenth judicial circuit consists of the  
20 county of Muskegon and has 4 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
21 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
22 2000.

23 Sec. 516. The fifteenth judicial circuit consists of the  
24 county of Branch and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS  
25 CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

26 Sec. 517. The sixteenth judicial circuit consists of the  
27 county of Macomb and has ~~8~~ 9 judges. ~~Subject to section 550,~~

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1 ~~this circuit may have 1 additional judge effective January 1,~~  
2 ~~1991.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 3 ADDI-  
3 TIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

4 Sec. 518. The seventeenth judicial circuit consists of the  
5 county of Kent and has ~~6~~ 7 judges. ~~Subject to section 550,~~  
6 ~~this judicial circuit may have 1 additional judge effective~~  
7 ~~January 1, 1989.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL  
8 HAVE 4 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

9 Sec. 519. The eighteenth judicial circuit consists of the  
10 county of Bay and has 3 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS  
11 CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

12 Sec. 520. (1) The nineteenth judicial circuit consists of  
13 the counties of Manistee and Benzie and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO  
14 SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFEC-  
15 TIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

16 (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
17 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
18 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
19 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL  
20 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
21 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
22 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
23 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
24 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
25 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
26 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
27 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE

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1 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT  
2 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
3 EXPIRED.

4 (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
5 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
6 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
7 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
8 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
9 THE COUNTY OF MANISTEE TO THE COUNTY OF BENZIE, THE NINETEENTH  
10 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSU-  
11 ANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF  
12 THAT JUDGE.

13 (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE NINETEENTH JUDI-  
14 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
15 DIVISIONS:

16 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF MANISTEE  
17 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

18 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF BENZIE AND  
19 HAS 1 JUDGE.

20 Sec. 521. The twentieth judicial circuit consists of the  
21 county of Ottawa and has ~~2~~ 3 judges. ~~Subject to section 550,~~  
22 ~~the twentieth judicial circuit may have 1 additional judge effec-~~  
23 ~~tive January 1, 1993.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT  
24 SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

25 Sec. 522. ~~(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the~~  
26 ~~twenty-first judicial circuit consists of the counties of Clare,~~  
27 ~~Isabella, and Gladwin and has 2 judges.~~

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1       ~~(2) If the county of Isabella approves the reformation of~~  
2 ~~the twenty-first judicial circuit pursuant to law and the coun-~~  
3 ~~ties of Clare and Gladwin approve the creation of the fifty-fifth~~  
4 ~~judicial circuit pursuant to law, the~~ THE twenty-first judicial  
5 circuit consists of the county of Isabella and has 1 judge.  
6 ~~effective January 1, 1982.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIR-  
7 CUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

8       Sec. 523. The twenty-second judicial circuit consists of  
9 the county of Washtenaw and has 5 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION  
10 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE  
11 JANUARY 1, 2000.

12       Sec. 524. (1) ~~Until January 1, 1981, the twenty-third~~  
13 ~~judicial circuit consists of the counties of Alcona, Iosco, and~~  
14 ~~Oscoda and has 1 judge. Commencing January 1, 1981, the~~ THE  
15 twenty-third judicial circuit consists of the counties of Iosco  
16 and Oscoda and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIR-  
17 CUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

18       (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
19 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
20 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
21 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL  
22 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
23 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
24 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
25 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
26 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT  
27 SUCCEEDING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO

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1 WHICH HE OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A  
2 SUCCESSOR SHALL BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED  
3 TERM WHICH THE PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT  
4 INCUMBENT REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY  
5 HAVE EXPIRED.

6 (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
7 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
8 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
9 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
10 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
11 THE COUNTY OF IOSCO TO THE COUNTY OF OSCODA, THE TWENTY-THIRD  
12 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSU-  
13 ANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF  
14 THAT JUDGE.

15 (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE TWENTY-THIRD  
16 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
17 DIVISIONS:

18 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF IOSCO AND  
19 HAS 1 JUDGE.

20 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF OSCODA AND  
21 HAS 1 JUDGE.

22 Sec. 525. The twenty-fourth judicial circuit consists of  
23 the county of Sanilac and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
24 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
25 2000.

26 Sec. 526. The twenty-fifth judicial circuit consists of the  
27 county of Marquette and has 2 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,

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1 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
2 2000.

3       Sec. 527. (1) ~~Until January 1, 1981, the twenty-sixth~~  
4 ~~judicial circuit consists of the counties of Alpena, Cheboygan,~~  
5 ~~Montmorency, and Presque Isle and has 2 judges. Commencing~~  
6 ~~January 1, 1981, the~~ THE twenty-sixth judicial circuit consists  
7 of the counties of Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, and Presque Isle  
8 and has 2 judges. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE TWENTY-SIXTH  
9 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ALPENA, ALCONA, AND  
10 MONTMORENCY. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1  
11 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

12       (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
13 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
14 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
15 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE TWENTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL  
16 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
17 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
18 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
19 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
20 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
21 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
22 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
23 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE  
24 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT  
25 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
26 EXPIRED.

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1           (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
2 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
3 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
4 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
5 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
6 THE COUNTY OF ALPENA TO THE COUNTY OF ALCONA, THE TWENTY-SIXTH  
7 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSU-  
8 ANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF  
9 THAT JUDGE.

10           (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE TWENTY-SIXTH  
11 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
12 DIVISIONS:

13           (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ALPENA AND  
14 THE COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY AND HAS 2 JUDGES.

15           (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ALCONA AND  
16 HAS 1 JUDGE.

17           (5) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
18 IN SUBSECTION (4)(A) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, OR REMOVAL FROM  
19 OFFICE, THE TWENTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO  
20 ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7) EFFECTIVE THE DATE  
21 OF THE VACANCY. THAT VACANCY MAY BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF THE  
22 GOVERNOR, AND EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT OFFICE BY THE GOV-  
23 ERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEEDING THE FIRST GEN-  
24 ERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE OR SHE WAS  
25 APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL BE ELECTED  
26 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE PREDECESSOR

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1 INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT REMAINED IN OFFICE  
2 UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE EXPIRED.

3 (6) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4)(A)  
4 FAILS OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF INCUMBENCY UNDER  
5 SECTION 413A OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
6 MCL 168.413A, WITHDRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
7 SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
8 MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM THE COUNTY OF ALPENA TO  
9 THE COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY, THE TWENTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
10 SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
11 SUBSECTION (7) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT  
12 JUDGE.

13 (7) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) OR (6), THE TWENTY-SIXTH  
14 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
15 DIVISIONS:

16 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ALPENA AND  
17 HAS 1 JUDGE.

18 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ALCONA AND  
19 HAS 1 JUDGE.

20 (C) THE THIRD DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY  
21 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

22 Sec. 528. (1) The twenty-seventh judicial circuit consists  
23 of the counties of Newaygo and Oceana and has ~~1 judge~~ 2  
24 JUDGES. ~~Subject to section 550, this judicial circuit may have~~  
25 ~~1 additional judge effective January 1, 1989~~ PURSUANT TO  
26 SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES  
27 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

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1 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE TWENTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL  
2 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

3 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF NEWAYGO AND  
4 HAS 2 JUDGES.

5 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF OCEANA AND  
6 HAS 2 JUDGES. [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED]

10 [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED]

12 Sec. 529. (1) The twenty-eighth judicial circuit consists  
13 of the counties of Missaukee and Wexford and has 1 judge.

14 PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL  
15 JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

16 (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
17 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
18 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
19 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE TWENTY-EIGHTH JUDI-  
20 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
21 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
22 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
23 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
24 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
25 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
26 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
27 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE

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1 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT  
2 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
3 EXPIRED.

4 (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
5 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
6 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
7 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
8 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
9 THE COUNTY OF WEXFORD TO THE COUNTY OF MISSAUKEE, THE  
10 TWENTY-EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION  
11 DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE  
12 TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE.

13 (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE TWENTY-EIGHTH  
14 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
15 DIVISIONS:

16 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF WEXFORD AND  
17 HAS 1 JUDGE.

18 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF MISSAUKEE  
19 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

20 Sec. 530. (1) The twenty-ninth judicial circuit consists of  
21 the counties of Clinton and Gratiot and has 2 judges. PURSUANT  
22 TO SECTION 880E, AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (3) AND  
23 (4), THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE  
24 JANUARY 1, 2000.

25 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL  
26 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

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1 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CLINTON AND  
2 HAS 3 JUDGES.

3 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF GRATIOT  
4 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

5 (3) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
6 IN SUBSECTION (2)(A) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM  
7 OFFICE, OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE  
8 MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE TWENTY-NINTH  
9 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CLINTON AND HAS 2  
10 JUDGES EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY.

11 (4) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(A)  
12 FAILS OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
13 SECTION 413A OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
14 MCL 168.413A, WITHDRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
15 SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
16 MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM THE COUNTY OF CLINTON TO  
17 THE COUNTY OF GRATIOT, THE TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CONSISTS  
18 OF THE COUNTY OF CLINTON AND HAS 2 JUDGES EFFECTIVE THE END OF  
19 THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE.

20 Sec. 531. The thirtieth judicial circuit consists of the  
21 county of Ingham and has 7 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
22 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
23 2000.

24 Sec. 532. The thirty-first judicial circuit consists of the  
25 county of St. Clair and has 3 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
26 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
27 2000.

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1       Sec. 533. (1) The thirty-second judicial circuit consists  
2 of the counties of Gogebic and Ontonagon and has 1 judge.  
3 PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL  
4 JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

5       (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
6 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
7 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
8 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE THIRTY-SECOND JUDI-  
9 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
10 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
11 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
12 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
13 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
14 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
15 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
16 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE  
17 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT  
18 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
19 EXPIRED.

20       (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
21 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
22 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
23 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
24 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
25 THE COUNTY OF GOGEBIC TO THE COUNTY OF ONTONAGON, THE  
26 THIRTY-SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION

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1 DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE  
2 TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE.

3 (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE THIRTY-SECOND  
4 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
5 DIVISIONS:

6 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF GOGEBIC AND  
7 HAS 1 JUDGE.

8 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ONTONAGON  
9 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

10 Sec. 534. ~~(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the~~  
11 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE thirty-third judicial circuit con-  
12 sists of the counties of Charlevoix and Emmet and has ~~1 judge.~~  
13 3 JUDGES, AND IS DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

14 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX  
15 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

16 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF EMMET AND  
17 HAS 2 JUDGES.

18 ~~(2) If the county of Charlevoix approves the reformation of~~  
19 ~~the thirty-third judicial circuit pursuant to law and the county~~  
20 ~~of Emmet approves the creation of the fifty-seventh judicial cir-~~  
21 ~~cuit pursuant to law, the thirty-third judicial circuit consists~~  
22 ~~of the county of Charlevoix and has 1 judge effective January 1,~~  
23 ~~1995.~~

24 Sec. 535. (1) The thirty-fourth judicial circuit consists  
25 of the counties of Arenac, Ogemaw, and Roscommon and has ~~1~~  
26 ~~judge~~ 2 JUDGES. ~~Subject to section 550, the thirty-fourth~~  
27 ~~judicial circuit may have 1 additional judge effective January 1,~~



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Sec. 538. The thirty-seventh judicial circuit consists of the county of Calhoun and has ~~3~~ 4 judges. ~~Subject to section 550, the thirty-seventh judicial circuit may have 1 additional judge effective January 1, 1993.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

Sec. 539. The thirty-eighth judicial circuit consists of the county of Monroe and has 3 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

Sec. 540. The thirty-ninth judicial circuit consists of the county of Lenawee and has 2 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

Sec. 541. ~~The fortieth judicial circuit consists of the counties of Lapeer and Tuscola and has 3 judges. If the county of Lapeer approves the reformation of the fortieth judicial circuit pursuant to law, and the county of Tuscola approves the creation of the fifty-fourth judicial circuit pursuant to law, the~~ THE fortieth judicial circuit consists of the county of Lapeer and has 2 judges. ~~effective July 1, 1981.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION

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1 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE  
2 JANUARY 1, 2000.

3       Sec. 542. The forty-first judicial circuit consists of the  
4 counties of Dickinson, Iron, and Menominee and has ~~1 judge~~ 2  
5 JUDGES. ~~Subject to section 550, this circuit may have 1 addi-~~  
6 ~~tional judge effective January 1, 1985~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
7 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
8 2000.

9       Sec. 543. The forty-second judicial circuit consists of the  
10 county of Midland and has 2 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
11 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
12 2000. [REDACTED]

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14 [REDACTED]

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16 [REDACTED]

17       Sec. 544. The forty-third judicial circuit consists of the  
18 county of Cass and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS  
19 CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

20       Sec. 545. The forty-fourth judicial circuit consists of the  
21 county of Livingston and has 2 judges. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
22 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
23 2000. [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED]

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27 [REDACTED]

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1 Sec. 546. The forty-fifth judicial circuit consists of the  
2 county of St. Joseph and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
3 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
4 2000. [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]

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8 Sec. 547. (1) The forty-sixth judicial circuit consists of  
9 the counties of Kalkaska, Crawford, and Otsego and has ~~1 judge~~  
10 2 JUDGES. ~~Subject to section 550, this circuit may have 1 addi-~~  
11 ~~tional judge effective January 1, 1985.~~ PURSUANT TO  
12 SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFEC-  
13 TIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

14 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE FORTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL CIR-  
15 CUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

16 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
17 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

18 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF OTSEGO  
19 AND KALKASKA AND HAS 2 JUDGES.

20 (3) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
21 IN SUBSECTION (2)(B) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM  
22 OFFICE, OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE  
23 MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE FORTY-SIXTH  
24 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSU-  
25 ANT TO SUBSECTION (5) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE  
26 VACANCY DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE  
27 FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED

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1 TO THAT OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT  
2 SUCCEEDING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO  
3 WHICH HE OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCES-  
4 SOR SHALL BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM  
5 WHICH THE PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUM-  
6 BENT REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
7 EXPIRED.

8 (4) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2)(B)  
9 FAILS OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
10 SECTION 413A OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
11 MCL 168.413A, WITHDRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
12 SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
13 MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM THE COUNTY OF OTSEGO TO  
14 THE COUNTY OF KALKASKA, THE FORTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE  
15 DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5) EFFEC-  
16 TIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE.

17 (5) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) OR (4), THE FORTY-SIXTH JUDI-  
18 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
19 DIVISIONS:

20 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
21 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

22 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF OTSEGO AND  
23 HAS 1 JUDGE.

24 (C) THE THIRD DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF KALKASKA  
25 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

26 Sec. 548. The forty-seventh judicial circuit consists of  
27 the county of Delta and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,

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1 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
2 2000.

3       Sec. 549. The forty-eighth judicial circuit consists of the  
4 county of Allegan and has ~~1 judge~~ 2 JUDGES. ~~Subject to sec-~~  
5 ~~tion 550, the forty-eighth judicial circuit may have 1 additional~~  
6 ~~judge effective January 1, 1991.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS  
7 CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

8       Sec. 549a. (1) The forty-ninth judicial circuit consists of  
9 the counties of Mecosta and Osceola and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO  
10 SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFEC-  
11 TIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

12       (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
13 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
14 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
15 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE FORTY-NINTH JUDICIAL  
16 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
17 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
18 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
19 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
20 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
21 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
22 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
23 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE  
24 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT  
25 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
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1 (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
2 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
3 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
4 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
5 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
6 THE COUNTY OF MECOSTA TO THE COUNTY OF OSCEOLA, THE FORTY-NINTH  
7 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSU-  
8 ANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF  
9 THAT JUDGE.

10 (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE FORTY-NINTH JUDI-  
11 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
12 DIVISIONS:

13 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF MECOSTA AND  
14 HAS 1 JUDGE.

15 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF OSCEOLA  
16 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

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22 Sec. 549b. (1) The fiftieth judicial circuit consists of  
23 the counties of Chippewa and Mackinac and has 1 judge. PURSUANT  
24 TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 2 ADDITIONAL JUDGES  
25 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

26 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE FIFTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
27 SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

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1 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA  
2 AND HAS 2 JUDGES.

3 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF MACKINAC  
4 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

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10 Sec. 549c. (1) The fifty-first judicial circuit consists of  
11 the counties of Lake and Mason and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO  
12 SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFEC-  
13 TIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

14 (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
15 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
16 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
17 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE FIFTY-FIRST JUDICIAL  
18 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
19 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
20 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
21 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
22 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
23 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
24 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
25 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE  
26 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT

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1 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
2 EXPIRED.

3       (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
4 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
5 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
6 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
7 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
8 THE COUNTY OF MASON TO THE COUNTY OF LAKE, THE FIFTY-FIRST JUDI-  
9 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
10 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT  
11 JUDGE.

12       (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE FIFTY-FIRST JUDI-  
13 CIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
14 DIVISIONS:

15       (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF MASON AND  
16 HAS 1 JUDGE.

17       (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF LAKE AND  
18 HAS 1 JUDGE.

19       Sec. 549d. The fifty-second judicial circuit consists of  
20 the county of Huron and has 1 judge. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E,  
21 THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,  
22 2000.

23       Sec. 549e. (1) ~~Subject to section 550a, the~~ THE  
24 fifty-third judicial circuit consists of the county of Cheboygan  
25 and has 1 judge. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE FIFTY-THIRD  
26 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF CHEBOYGAN AND

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1 PRESQUE ISLE. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE  
2 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

3 (2) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
4 IN SUBSECTION (1) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
5 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
6 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, THE FIFTY-THIRD JUDICIAL  
7 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVISIONS PURSUANT TO  
8 SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THE VACANCY. IF THE VACANCY  
9 DOES NOT OCCUR AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, IT MAY BE FILLED  
10 BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED TO THAT  
11 OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT SUCCEED-  
12 ING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO WHICH HE  
13 OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCESSOR SHALL  
14 BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM WHICH THE  
15 PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT  
16 REMAINED IN OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE  
17 EXPIRED.

18 (3) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) FAILS  
19 OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A  
20 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITH-  
21 DRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN  
22 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCY FROM  
23 THE COUNTY OF CHEBOYGAN TO THE COUNTY OF PRESQUE ISLE, THE  
24 FIFTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO ELECTION DIVI-  
25 SIONS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE TERM OF  
26 OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE.

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1 (4) PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OR (3), THE FIFTY-THIRD  
2 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION  
3 DIVISIONS:

4 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CHEBOYGAN  
5 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

6 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF PRESQUE  
7 ISLE AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

8 Sec. 549f. ~~If the county of Lapeer approves the reforma-~~  
9 ~~tion of the fortieth judicial circuit pursuant to law, and the~~  
10 ~~county of Tuscola approves the creation of the fifty-fourth judi-~~  
11 ~~cial circuit pursuant to law, the~~ THE fifty-fourth judicial cir-  
12 cuit consists of the county of Tuscola and has 1 judge.  
13 ~~effective July 1, 1981.~~ PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT  
14 SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000. [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED]  
16 [REDACTED]  
17 [REDACTED]  
18 [REDACTED]  
19 [REDACTED]

20 Sec. 549g. (1) ~~If the county of Isabella approves the ref-~~  
21 ~~ormation of the twenty-first judicial circuit pursuant to law and~~  
22 ~~the counties of Clare and Gladwin approve the creation of the~~  
23 ~~fifty-fifth judicial circuit pursuant to law, the~~ THE  
24 fifty-fifth judicial circuit consists of the counties of Clare  
25 and Gladwin and has 1 judge. ~~effective January 1, 1982.~~  
26 PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL  
27 JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

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1 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE FIFTY-FIFTH JUDICIAL  
2 CIRCUIT SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THE FOLLOWING ELECTION DIVISIONS:

3 (A) THE FIRST DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF CLARE AND  
4 HAS 1 JUDGE.

5 (B) THE SECOND DIVISION CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF GLADWIN  
6 AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

7 Sec. 549h. ~~If the county of Barry approves the reformation~~  
8 ~~of the fifth judicial circuit pursuant to law, and the county of~~  
9 ~~Eaton approves the creation of the fifty-sixth judicial circuit~~  
10 ~~pursuant to law, the~~ THE fifty-sixth judicial circuit consists  
11 of the county of Eaton and has ~~1 judge effective January 1,~~  
12 ~~1991~~ 2 JUDGES. ~~Subject to section 550, this judicial circuit~~  
13 ~~may have 1 additional judge effective January 1, 1991.~~ PURSUANT  
14 TO SECTION 880E, THIS CIRCUIT SHALL HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE  
15 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

16 [REDACTED]  
17 [REDACTED]  
18 [REDACTED]  
19 [REDACTED]  
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6 SEC. 549J. PURSUANT TO SECTION 880E, THE FIFTY-EIGHTH JUDI-  
7 CIAL CIRCUIT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF IONIA AND HAS 2 JUDGES  
8 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000.

9 SEC. 549K. IF THE TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IS REFORMED  
10 PURSUANT TO SECTION 530(3) OR (4), THE FIFTY-NINTH JUDICIAL CIR-  
11 CUIT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF GRATIOT AND HAS 2 JUDGES EFFECTIVE  
12 THE DATE OF THAT REFORMATION. IF THE FIFTY-NINTH JUDICIAL CIR-  
13 CUIT IS CREATED BY OPERATION OF SECTION 530(3) AND DOES NOT OCCUR  
14 AT THE END OF A TERM OF OFFICE, THE VACANCY IN OFFICE MAY BE  
15 FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR. EACH INCUMBENT APPOINTED  
16 TO THAT OFFICE BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL SERVE UNTIL JANUARY 1 NEXT  
17 SUCCEEDING THE FIRST GENERAL ELECTION HELD AFTER THE VACANCY TO  
18 WHICH HE OR SHE WAS APPOINTED OCCURS, AT WHICH ELECTION A SUCCES-  
19 SOR SHALL BE ELECTED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM  
20 WHICH THE PREDECESSOR INCUMBENT JUDGE OF THE TWENTY-NINTH JUDI-  
21 CIAL CIRCUIT WOULD HAVE SERVED HAD THAT INCUMBENT REMAINED IN  
22 OFFICE UNTIL HIS OR HER TERM WOULD NORMALLY HAVE EXPIRED.

23 Sec. 550a. (1) If a new judicial circuit is proposed by  
24 law, that new circuit shall not be created ~~nor~~ AND any circuit  
25 judgeship proposed for the circuit SHALL NOT be authorized or  
26 filled by election unless each county in the proposed circuit, by  
27 resolution adopted by the county board of commissioners, approves

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1 the creation of the new circuit and each judgeship proposed for  
2 the circuit and unless the clerk of each county adopting ~~such a~~  
3 THAT resolution files a copy of the resolution with the state  
4 court administrator not later than 4 p.m. of the sixteenth  
5 Tuesday preceding the August primary immediately following the  
6 effective date of the amendatory act permitting the creation of  
7 the new circuit. The state court administrator shall immediately  
8 notify the elections division of the department of state with  
9 respect to each new judicial circuit and circuit judgeship autho-  
10 rized pursuant to this subsection.

11 (2) By proposing a new judicial circuit and 1 or more cir-  
12 cuit judgeships for the circuit, the legislature is not creating  
13 that circuit or any judgeship in the circuit. If a county,  
14 acting through its board of commissioners, approves the creation  
15 of a new circuit and 1 or more circuit judgeships proposed by law  
16 for that circuit, that approval constitutes an exercise of the  
17 county's option to provide a new activity or service or to  
18 increase the level of activity or service offered in the county  
19 beyond that required by existing law, as the elements of that  
20 option are defined by ~~Act No. 101 of the Public Acts of 1979,~~  
21 ~~being sections 21.231 to 21.244 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~  
22 1979 PA 101, MCL 21.231 TO 21.244, and a voluntary acceptance by  
23 the county of all expenses and capital improvements which may  
24 result from the creation of the new circuit and each judgeship.  
25 However, the exercise of the option does not affect the state's  
26 obligation to pay ~~a portion~~ ALL OR PART of the circuit judge's  
27 or judges' salary as provided by law, or to appropriate and

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1 disburse funds to the county for the necessary costs of state  
2 requirements established by a state law which becomes effective  
3 on or after December 23, 1978.

4 (3) Each circuit judgeship created pursuant to subsection  
5 (1) shall be filled by election pursuant to ~~Act No. 116 of the~~  
6 ~~Public Acts of 1954, as amended, being sections 168.1 to 168.992~~  
7 ~~of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954  
8 PA 116, MCL 168.1 TO 168.992. The first term of each circuit  
9 judgeship shall be 6 years, unless the law permitting the cre-  
10 ation of the new circuit and 1 or more judgeships provides for a  
11 term of a different length. THE FIRST TERM OF EACH CIRCUIT  
12 JUDGESHIP CREATED UNDER SECTION 880E MAY BE LESS THAN 6 YEARS.

13 (4) THE REFORMATION OR CREATION OF JUDICIAL CIRCUITS, THE  
14 CREATION OF NEW CIRCUIT JUDGESHIPS, AND THE ELIMINATION OF PRO-  
15 BATE JUDGESHIPS AND PROBATE DISTRICTS PURSUANT TO THE 1998 AMEN-  
16 DATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT REQUIRE LOCAL  
17 APPROVAL UNDER SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (2).

18 Sec. 821. (1) The following probate judges shall not engage  
19 in the practice of law other than as a judge and shall receive,  
20 subject to subsection (7), an annual salary provided in this  
21 section:

22 (a) A probate judge of a county that is not part of a pro-  
23 posed probate court district described in section 807.

24 (b) The probate judge in each probate court district in  
25 which a majority of the electors voting on the question in each  
26 county of probate court district has approved or approves  
27 creation of the district.

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1 (c) A probate judge in a county having a population of  
2 15,000 or more ACCORDING TO THE 1990 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, if  
3 the county is not part of a probate court district created pursu-  
4 ant to law.

5 (2) Until the salary of a justice of the supreme court  
6 exceeds \$128,538.00, each probate judge shall receive an annual  
7 salary of \$109,257.00 determined as follows:

8 (a) A minimum annual salary of \$63,533.00.

9 (b) An additional salary of \$45,724.00 paid by the county or  
10 by the counties comprising a probate court district. If a pro-  
11 bate judge receives a total additional salary of \$45,724.00 from  
12 the county, or from the counties comprising a probate court dis-  
13 trict, and does not receive less than or more than \$45,724.00,  
14 including any cost-of-living allowance, the state shall reimburse  
15 the county or counties the amount that the county or counties  
16 have paid to the judge.

17 (3) If the salary of a justice of the supreme court exceeds  
18 \$128,538.00, each probate judge shall receive an annual salary  
19 determined as follows:

20 (a) A minimum annual salary of the difference between 85% of  
21 the salary of a justice of the supreme court and \$45,724.00.

22 (b) An additional salary of \$45,724.00 paid by the county or  
23 by the counties comprising a probate court district. If a pro-  
24 bate judge receives a total additional salary of \$45,724.00 from  
25 the county, or from the counties comprising a probate court dis-  
26 trict, and does not receive less than or more than \$45,724.00,  
27 including any cost-of-living allowance, the state shall reimburse

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1 the county or counties the amount that the county or counties  
2 have paid to the judge.

3       (4) Six thousand dollars of the minimum annual salary pro-  
4 vided in subsection (2), (3), or (4) shall be paid by the county,  
5 or by the counties comprising a probate court district, and the  
6 balance of that minimum annual salary shall be paid by the state  
7 as a grant to the county or the counties comprising the probate  
8 court district. The county, or the counties comprising the pro-  
9 bate court district, shall in turn pay that amount to the probate  
10 judge. Beginning January 1, 1997, the state shall annually reim-  
11 burse the county or counties \$6,000.00 for each probate judge to  
12 offset the cost of the county or counties required by this  
13 section.

14       (5) The salary provided in this section ~~shall be~~ IS full  
15 compensation for all services performed by a probate judge,  
16 except as otherwise provided by law. In a probate court dis-  
17 trict, each county of the district shall contribute to the salary  
18 in the same proportion as the population of the county bears to  
19 the population of the district.

20       (6) An additional salary determined by the county board of  
21 commissioners may be increased during a term of office but shall  
22 not be decreased except to the extent of a general salary reduc-  
23 tion in all other branches of government in the county. In a  
24 county where an additional salary is granted, it shall be paid at  
25 the same rate to all probate judges regularly holding court in  
26 the county.

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1           (7) An increase in the amount of salary payable to a judge  
2 under subsection (1) caused by an increase in the salary payable  
3 to a justice of the supreme court resulting from the operation of  
4 ~~Act No. 357 of the Public Acts of 1968, being sections 15.211 to~~  
5 ~~15.218 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ 1968 PA 357, MCL 15.211 TO  
6 15.218, ~~shall~~ IS not ~~be~~ effective until February 1 of the  
7 year in which the increase in the salary of a justice of the  
8 supreme court becomes effective. If an increase in salary  
9 becomes effective on February 1 of a year in which an increase in  
10 the salary of a justice of the supreme court becomes effective,  
11 the increase ~~shall be~~ IS retroactive to January 1 of that  
12 year.

13           Sec. 822. (1) The probate judge of a county having a popu-  
14 lation of less than 15,000 ACCORDING TO THE 1990 FEDERAL DECEN-  
15 NIAL CENSUS and comprising part of a proposed probate court dis-  
16 trict in which the electors of 1 or more counties ~~thereof~~ OF  
17 THE PROBATE COURT DISTRICT did not approve the ~~same~~ PROBATE  
18 COURT DISTRICT shall receive an annual salary of \$20,000.00. Six  
19 thousand dollars of the minimum annual salary provided by this  
20 subsection shall be paid by the county and the balance of the  
21 minimum annual salary shall be paid by the state as a grant to  
22 the county. The county shall, in turn, pay that amount to the  
23 probate judge.

24           (2) The annual salary provided in subsection (1) may be  
25 increased but shall not be decreased during the term for which  
26 the probate judge has been elected or appointed. This salary  
27 ~~shall be~~ IS in full compensation for all services performed by

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1 the person as probate judge, except as otherwise provided by  
2 law. A probate judge whose annual salary is provided in subsec-  
3 tion (1) shall not represent a party in a contested proceeding in  
4 the probate court of this state.

5 (3) In addition to the salary provided in subsection (1), a  
6 probate judge may receive from the county in which he or she reg-  
7 ularly holds court an additional salary of not more than  
8 \$43,000.00, as determined by the county board of commissioners.  
9 The additional salary may be increased during a term of office  
10 but shall not be decreased except to the extent of a general  
11 salary reduction in all other branches of government in the  
12 county.

13 (4) The total annual salary of a probate judge, including  
14 the salary provided in subsection (1) and any additional salary  
15 granted by the county under subsection (3), shall not exceed  
16 \$63,000.00.

17 (5) From funds appropriated to the judiciary, the state  
18 shall pay to a county described in subsection (1) a state salary  
19 standardization payment of \$5,750.00 for each probate judge and  
20 an additional payment of \$6,000.00 for each probate judge to  
21 offset the portion of minimum annual salary paid by the county.

(6) IF THE 1998 AMENDMENTS ADDING SECTION 31 TO ARTICLE 6 OF  
THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963 ARE ADOPTED AND EXCEPT FOR THE COUNTY  
OF KEWEENAW, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2001 THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS MAY SET THE PORTION OF THE ANNUAL SALARY PAID BY THE  
COUNTY AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (5), TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
\$31,600.00 AT WHICH TIME THE \$20,000.00 ANNUAL SALARY PROVIDED IN  
SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE INCREASED BY THE SAME AMOUNT, NOT TO EXCEED  
\$45,600.00.

22 SEC. 880E. (1) ON JANUARY 1, 2000, THE JURISDICTION OF THE  
23 PROBATE COURT IN ALL COUNTIES OTHER THAN THE COUNTIES OF ALCONA,  
24 ARENAC, BARAGA, BENZIE, CRAWFORD, IRON, KALKASKA, KEWEENAW, LAKE,  
25 MISSAUKEE, MONTMORENCY, OSCODA, ONTONAGON, AND PRESQUE ISLE SHALL  
26 BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FAMILY DIVISION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR  
27 THAT COUNTY AND THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THAT COUNTY SHALL BECOME A

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1 CIRCUIT JUDGE OF THE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ENCOMPASSING THE COUNTY IN  
2 WHICH HE OR SHE RESIDES FOR THE BALANCE OF THE TERM OF OFFICE TO  
3 WHICH HE OR SHE HAS BEEN ELECTED OR APPOINTED, NOTWITHSTANDING  
4 ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TO THE CONTRARY.

5 (2) AT 12 NOON ON JANUARY 1, 2001, THE JURISDICTION OF THE  
6 PROBATE COURT IN THE COUNTY OF KEWEENAW SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO  
7 THE FAMILY DIVISION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THAT COUNTY, AT  
8 WHICH TIME THE OFFICE OF PROBATE JUDGE IN THAT COUNTY IS ABOL-  
9 ISHED, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TO THE  
10 CONTRARY.

11 (3) BEGINNING WITH THE NOVEMBER 2000 GENERAL ELECTION AND  
12 ENDING WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION, THE TERMS OF  
13 OFFICE OF EACH OF THE PROBATE JUDGES IN THE COUNTIES OF ALCONA,  
14 ARENAC, BARAGA, BENZIE, CRAWFORD, IRON, KALKASKA, LAKE,  
15 MISSAUKEE, MONTMORENCY, OSCODA, ONTONAGAN, AND PRESQUE ISLE SHALL  
16 BE FOR 2 YEARS. THE JURISDICTION OF THE PROBATE COURT SHALL BE  
TRANSFERRED TO THE FAMILY DIVISION OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND THE  
OFFICE OF PROBATE COURT JUDGE ABOLISHED IN ANY OF THESE COUNTIES AT  
THE END OF THE PROBATE JUDGE'S TERM PRECEDING THE NEW TERM OF A  
CIRCUIT JUDGE WHO HAS BEEN ELECTED EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN THAT COUNTY.

17 (4) IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN OFFICE OF A JUDGE DESCRIBED  
18 IN SUBSECTION (3) DUE TO DEATH, RESIGNATION, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE,  
19 OR INELIGIBILITY FOR THE OFFICE UNDER SECTION 411 OF THE MICHIGAN  
20 ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.411, AND IF A CIRCUIT JUDGE WILL  
BE ELECTED EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN THAT COUNTY AT THE END OF THE TERM OF  
OFFICE OF THAT PROBATE JUDGE, THE JURISDICTION OF THE  
21 PROBATE COURT SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FAMILY DIVISION OF CIR-  
22 CUIT COURT FOR THAT COUNTY EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE OF THAT VACANCY,  
23 AT WHICH TIME THE OFFICE OF PROBATE COURT JUDGE IN THAT COUNTY IS  
24 ABOLISHED, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT.

25 (5) IF AN INCUMBENT JUDGE OF A PROBATE COURT DESCRIBED IN  
26 SUBSECTION (3) FAILS OR IS UNABLE TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF  
27 CANDIDACY UNDER SECTION 413A OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954

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1 PA 116, MCL 168.413A, WITHDRAWS AN AFFIDAVIT OF CANDIDACY UNDER  
2 SECTION 414 OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116,  
3 MCL 168.414, OR CHANGES RESIDENCE TO ANOTHER COUNTY, AND IF A  
4 CIRCUIT JUDGE WILL BE ELECTED EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN THAT COUNTY AT THE  
5 END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT PROBATE JUDGE, THE JURIS-  
6 DICTION OF THE PROBATE COURT SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FAMILY  
7 DIVISION OF CIRCUIT COURT FOR THAT COUNTY EFFECTIVE ON THE DATE  
8 OF THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THAT JUDGE, AT WHICH TIME THE  
9 OFFICE OF PROBATE COURT JUDGE IN THAT COUNTY IS ABOLISHED, NOT-  
10 WITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT.

11 (6) AT 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2011, THE JURISDICTION OF ANY  
12 PROBATE COURT IN ANY COUNTY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) THAT HAS  
13 NOT ALREADY BEEN TRANSFERRED TO CIRCUIT COURT UNDER  
14 SUBSECTION (3), (4) OR (5) SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FAMILY  
15 DIVISION  
16 OF CIRCUIT COURT FOR THAT COUNTY, AT WHICH TIME THE OFFICE OF  
17 PROBATE JUDGE IN THAT COUNTY IS ABOLISHED, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY  
18 OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT TO THE CONTRARY.

19 Sec. 8156. (1) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2),  
20 THE ninety-first district consists of the county of Chippewa, is  
21 a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.

22 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE NINETY-FIRST DISTRICT  
23 CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF CHIPPEWA AND MACKINAC, IS A DISTRICT  
24 OF THE FIRST CLASS, AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

25 Sec. 8157. (1) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2),  
26 THE ninety-second district consists of the counties of Mackinac  
27 and Luce, is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.

(2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE INCUMBENT JUDGE OF THE  
NINETY-SECOND DISTRICT SHALL BECOME JUDGE OF THE ELEVENTH  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, FIRST DIVISION, FOR THE BALANCE OF THE TERM TO

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1 WHICH HE OR SHE HAD BEEN ELECTED OR APPOINTED, AND THE  
2 NINETY-SECOND DISTRICT SHALL BE ABOLISHED.

3       Sec. 8158. (1) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2),  
4 THE ninety-third district consists of the counties of Schoolcraft  
5 and Alger, is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.

6       (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, THE NINETY-THIRD DISTRICT  
7 CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF SCHOOLCRAFT, ALGER, AND LUCE, IS A  
8 DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS, AND HAS 1 JUDGE.

9       Enacting section 1. Sections 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507,  
10 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520,  
11 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533,  
12 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546,  
13 547, 548, 549, 549a, 549b, 549c, 549d, 549e, 549f, 549g, 549h,  
14 549i, 550a, 8156, 8157, and 8158 of the revised judicature act of  
15 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.502, 600.503, 600.504, 600.505,  
16 600.506, 600.507, 600.508, 600.509, 600.510, 600.511, 600.512,  
17 600.513, 600.514, 600.515, 600.516, 600.517, 600.518, 600.519,  
18 600.520, 600.521, 600.522, 600.523, 600.524, 600.525, 600.526,  
19 600.527, 600.528, 600.529, 600.530, 600.531, 600.532, 600.533,  
20 600.534, 600.535, 600.536, 600.537, 600.538, 600.539, 600.540,  
21 600.541, 600.542, 600.543, 600.544, 600.545, 600.546, 600.547,  
22 600.548, 600.549, 600.549a, 600.549b, 600.549c, 600.549d,  
23 600.549e, 600.549f, 600.549g, 600.549h, 600.549i, 600.550a,  
24 600.8156, 600.8157, and 600.8158, as amended by this amendatory  
25 act, and sections 549j, 549k, and 880e of the revised judicature  
26 act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, as added by this amendatory act, do not  
27 take effect unless Senate Joint Resolution R of the 89th

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1 Legislature becomes part of the state constitution of 1963 as  
2 provided in section 1 of article XII of the state constitution of  
3 1963.

4       Enacting section 2. Sections 549i and 9948 of the revised  
5 judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.549i and 600.9948,  
6 are repealed effective January 1, 2000.

7       Enacting section 3. This amendatory act takes effect  
8 January 1, 2000.