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23RD, 26TH, and 53RD JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

House Bill 6187

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 6187 AS INTRODUCED 6-13-02

House Bill 6187 would amend the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, which prescribes the composition of judicial circuits, to eliminate certain changes to the composition of the 23rd, 26th, and 53rd circuits scheduled to take place on April 1, 2003. Specifically the bill would do the following:

23rd judicial circuit. Currently the 23rd judicial circuit consists of Iosco and Oscoda counties and has one judge. The act states that beginning April 1, 2003, the circuit will consist of Alcona, Arenac, Iosco, and Oscoda Counties and will have two judges. The bill would state that beginning April 1, 2003, the 23rd judicial circuit will consist of Arenac, Iosco, and Oscoda Counties and will have two judges.

26th judicial circuit. Currently the 26th judicial circuit consists of Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, and Presque Isle Counties and has two judges. The act states that beginning April 1, 2003, the circuit will consist of only Alpena and Montmorency Counties and will have only one judge. The bill would prevent this change from occurring so that the 26th circuit would continue to consist of Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, and Presque Isle Counties and to have two judges.

53rd judicial circuit. Currently the 53rd judicial circuit consists of Cheboygan County and has one judge. Beginning April 1, 2003, the 53rd circuit will consist of Cheboygan and Presque Isle Counties and have one judge. The bill would prevent this change from occurring so that the 53rd circuit would continue to consist of Cheboygan County and to have one judge.

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