

SENATE BILL No. 1450

September 25, 2002, Introduced by Senator JOHNSON and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
(MCL 600.101 to 600.9948) by adding section 151e.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 151E. (1) THE MONEY IN THE JUROR COMPENSATION REIM-
2 BURSEMENT FUND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED EACH YEAR AS PROVIDED IN THIS
3 SECTION.

4 (2) EACH COURT FUNDING UNIT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT SEMIANNU-
5 ALLY TO THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, FOR EACH COURT FOR WHICH
6 IT IS A FUNDING UNIT, GIVING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE EXPENSE
7 INCURRED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR BY THAT FUNDING UNIT DUE TO THE
8 INCREASE IN THE STATUTORY MINIMUM COMPENSATION RATE FOR JURORS
9 THAT TOOK EFFECT OCTOBER 1, 2003, PURSUANT TO SECTION 1344. IF
10 ANY OF THE JUROR COMPENSATION PAYMENTS MADE BY THAT COURT FUNDING
11 UNIT WERE IN EXCESS OF THE STATUTORY MINIMUM AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN
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1 SECTION 1344, THE REPORT ALSO SHALL INCLUDE THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID
2 TO JURORS IN EXCESS OF THAT STATUTORY MINIMUM.

3 (3) EACH YEAR, THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, AT THE DIREC-
4 TION OF THE SUPREME COURT AND UPON CONFIRMATION BY THE STATE
5 TREASURER OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE IN THE FUND, SHALL DIS-
6 TRIBUTE FROM THE FUND THE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (4).
7 HOWEVER, REIMBURSEMENTS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION ARE SUBJECT TO BOTH
8 OF THE FOLLOWING:

9 (A) THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR SHALL BE REIMBURSED SEMI-
10 ANNUALLY FROM THE FUND FOR REASONABLE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
11 ADMINISTRATION OF THIS SECTION, NOT TO EXCEED EITHER OF THE
12 FOLLOWING:

13 (i) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2003, AN ANNUAL
14 TOTAL OF \$100,000.00.

15 (ii) FOR FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 2004, AN
16 ANNUAL TOTAL OF \$40,000.00.

17 (B) IF THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE IN THE FUND IN ANY FISCAL YEAR
18 IS MORE THAN THE AMOUNT NEEDED TO PAY THE ENTIRE REIMBURSEMENT
19 REQUIRED FOR ALL COURT FUNDING UNITS UNDER SUBSECTION (4), THE
20 UNENCUMBERED BALANCE SHALL BE CARRIED FORWARD TO THE NEXT FISCAL
21 YEAR AND SHALL NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND.

22 (4) EACH COURT FUNDING UNIT IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE REIM-
23 BURSEMENT FROM THE FUND FOR THE EXPENSE AMOUNT REPORTED UNDER
24 SUBSECTION (2) FOR THE PRECEDING 6 MONTHS, EXCLUDING ANY JUROR
25 COMPENSATION IN EXCESS OF THE STATUTORY MINIMUM.

26 (5) PAYMENTS FROM THE FUND SHALL BE MADE EVERY 6 MONTHS.
27 REIMBURSEMENT FOR EACH 6-MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING WITH THE QUARTER

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1 THAT ENDS MARCH 31, 2004 SHALL BE MADE FROM THE FUND NOT LATER
2 THAN 2 MONTHS AFTER THE END OF THE 6-MONTH PERIOD.

3 (6) IN ADDITION TO THE AMOUNTS TO BE PAID OUT UNDER SUBSEC-
4 TION (5) FOR THE 6-MONTH PERIOD ENDING MARCH 31, 2004 AND FOR THE
5 6-MONTH PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2004, THE STATE COURT ADMIN-
6 ISTRATOR SHALL PAY AN ADDITIONAL SUM EQUAL TO 14% OF THE PAYMENT
7 DUE UNDER SUBSECTION (5) TO EACH COURT FUNDING UNIT. THESE 2
8 EXTRA PAYMENTS ARE INTENDED TO OFFSET EXPENSES INCURRED BY COURT
9 FUNDING UNITS FOR COSTS IN ADAPTING TO THE CHANGES IN THE STATU-
10 TORY MINIMUM RATE FOR JUROR COMPENSATION AS IMPLEMENTED BY THE
11 2002 AMENDATORY ACT THAT AMENDED SECTION 1344.

12 (7) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "COURT FUNDING UNIT" MEANS 1 OF
13 THE FOLLOWING, AS APPLICABLE:

14 (A) FOR CIRCUIT OR PROBATE COURT, THE COUNTY.

15 (B) FOR DISTRICT COURT, THE DISTRICT FUNDING UNIT AS THAT
16 TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION 8104.

17 (C) FOR A MUNICIPAL COURT, THE CITY IN WHICH THE MUNICIPAL
18 COURT IS LOCATED.

19 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect
20 October 1, 2003.

21 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take
22 effect unless all of the following bills of the 91st Legislature
23 are enacted into law:

24 (a) Senate Bill No. 1448.

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26 (b) Senate Bill No. 1449.

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1 (c) Senate Bill No. 1451.

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3 (d) Senate Bill No. 1452.

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