

SENATE BILL No. 504

May 22, 2001, Introduced by Senators BENNETT, STEIL, SIKKEMA, BULLARD and MC COTTER and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending sections 8121, 8123, and 8130 (MCL 600.8121,
600.8123, and 600.8130), section 8121 as amended by 2000 PA 449,
section 8123 as amended by 2000 PA 448, and section 8130 as
amended by 1988 PA 135.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 8121. (1) The sixteenth district consists of the city
2 of Livonia, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

3 (2) The seventeenth district consists of the township of
4 Redford in the county of Wayne, is a district of the third class,
5 and has 2 judges.

6 (3) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION,
7 THE eighteenth district consists of the city of Westland, is a
8 district of the third class, and has 2 judges. IF THE GOVERNING

1 BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND APPROVES THE REORGANIZATION OF THE
2 EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT BY RESOLUTION ADOPTED AND FILED WITH THE
3 STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2001, AND
4 IF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAYNE APPROVES THE ABOLITION
5 OF THE TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (14), THE
6 EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE CITIES OF WESTLAND AND WAYNE,
7 IS A DISTRICT OF THE THIRD CLASS, AND HAS 3 JUDGES EFFECTIVE
8 JANUARY 1, 2002.

9 (4) The nineteenth district consists of the city of
10 Dearborn, is a district of the third class, and has 3 judges.

11 (5) The twentieth district consists of the city of Dearborn
12 Heights, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

13 (6) The twenty-first district consists of the city of Garden
14 City, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

15 (7) The twenty-second district consists of the city of
16 Inkster, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

17 (8) The twenty-third district consists of the city of
18 Taylor, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

19 (9) The twenty-fourth district consists of the cities of
20 Allen Park and Melvindale, is a district of the third class, and
21 has 2 judges.

22 (10) The twenty-fifth district consists of the city of
23 Lincoln Park, is a district of the third class, and has 2
24 judges.

25 (11) The twenty-sixth district consists of the cities of
26 River Rouge and Ecorse, is a district of the third class, and is
27 divided into the following election divisions:

1 (a) The first division consists of the city of River Rouge
2 and has 1 judge.

3 (b) The second division consists of the city of Ecorse and
4 has 1 judge.

5 (12) The twenty-seventh district consists of the following,
6 as applicable:

7 (a) Until January 1, 2003 or until a vacancy occurs in a
8 judgeship in the twenty-seventh district, whichever occurs first,
9 the twenty-seventh district consists of the cities of Wyandotte
10 and Riverview, is a district of the third class, and is divided
11 into the following election divisions:

12 (i) The first division consists of the city of Wyandotte and
13 has 1 judge.

14 (ii) The second division consists of the city of Riverview
15 and has 1 judge.

16 (b) Beginning January 1, 2003 or the date on which a vacancy
17 occurs in a judgeship in the twenty-seventh district, whichever
18 occurs first, the twenty-seventh district consists of the cities
19 of Wyandotte and Riverview, is a district of the third class, and
20 has 1 judge. The remaining incumbent judge of the twenty-seventh
21 district shall serve as the judge of the entire twenty-seventh
22 district for the balance of the term to which he or she was
23 elected or appointed.

24 (13) The twenty-eighth district consists of the city of
25 Southgate, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

26 (14) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION,
27 THE twenty-ninth district consists of the city of Wayne, is a

1 district of the third class, and has 1 judge. IF THE GOVERNING
2 BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND APPROVES THE REORGANIZATION OF THE
3 EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (3) AND THE GOVERNING
4 BODY OF THE CITY OF WAYNE APPROVES THE ABOLITION OF THE
5 TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT BY RESOLUTION ADOPTED AND FILED WITH THE
6 STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2001, THE
7 TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT IS ABOLISHED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2002.

8 (15) The thirtieth district consists of the city of Highland
9 Park, is a district of the third class, and HAS THE FOLLOWING
10 NUMBER OF JUDGES:

11 (A) UNTIL 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2003, THIS DISTRICT has 2
12 judges.

13 (B) BEGINNING 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2003, THIS DISTRICT HAS 1
14 JUDGE.

15 (16) The thirty-first district consists of the city of
16 Hamtramck, is a district of the third class, and HAS THE FOLLOW-
17 ING NUMBER OF JUDGES:

18 (A) UNTIL 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2003, THIS DISTRICT has 2
19 judges.

20 (B) BEGINNING 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2003, THIS DISTRICT HAS 1
21 JUDGE.

22 (17) The thirty-second-a district consists of the city of
23 Harper Woods, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

24 (18) The thirty-second-b district consists of the cities of
25 Grosse Pointe Woods, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe, and
26 Grosse Pointe Farms, and the village of Grosse Pointe Shores, is
27 a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

1 (19) The thirty-third district consists of the cities of
2 Trenton, Gibraltar, Woodhaven, Rockwood, and Flat Rock and the
3 townships of Brownstown and Grosse Ile in the county of Wayne, is
4 a district of the third class, and has 3 judges.

5 (20) The thirty-fourth district consists of the townships of
6 Sumpter, Van Buren, and Huron in the county of Wayne and the
7 cities of Romulus and Belleville, is a district of the third
8 class, and has 3 judges.

9 (21) The thirty-fifth district consists of the cities of
10 Northville and Plymouth and the townships of Northville,
11 Plymouth, and Canton in the county of Wayne, is a district of the
12 third class, and has 2 judges. SUBJECT TO SECTION 8175, THIS
13 DISTRICT MAY HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003.
14 IF A NEW OFFICE OF JUDGE IS ADDED TO THIS DISTRICT TO BE FILLED
15 BY ELECTION IN 2002, THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE JUDGE FOR THAT
16 ELECTION ONLY SHALL BE 2 YEARS.

17 Sec. 8123. (1) The forty-third district consists of the
18 cities of Madison Heights, Ferndale, and Hazel Park, is a dis-
19 trict of the third class, and has 3 judges.

20 (2) The forty-fourth district consists of the city of Royal
21 Oak, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

22 (3) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION,
23 THE forty-fifth-a district consists of the city of Berkley, is a
24 district of the third class, and has 1 judge. IF THE GOVERNING
25 BODY OF THE CITY OF BERKLEY APPROVES THE REORGANIZATION OF THE
26 FORTY-FIFTH-A DISTRICT BY RESOLUTION ADOPTED AND FILED WITH THE
27 STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2001, AND

1 IF THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE CITIES OF HUNTINGTON WOODS, OAK
2 PARK, AND PLEASANT RIDGE AND THE TOWNSHIP OF ROYAL OAK APPROVE
3 THE ABOLITION OF THE FORTY-FIFTH-B DISTRICT PURSUANT TO
4 SUBSECTION (4), THE FORTY-FIFTH-A DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE CITIES
5 OF BERKLEY, HUNTINGTON WOODS, OAK PARK, AND PLEASANT RIDGE AND
6 THE TOWNSHIP OF ROYAL OAK, IS A DISTRICT OF THE THIRD CLASS, AND
7 HAS 2 JUDGES, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003.

8 (4) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION,
9 THE forty-fifth-b district consists of the cities of Huntington
10 Woods, Oak Park, and Pleasant Ridge and the township of Royal Oak
11 in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and
12 has 2 judges. IF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF BERKLEY
13 APPROVES THE REORGANIZATION OF THE FORTY-FIFTH-A DISTRICT PURSU-
14 ANT TO SUBSECTION (3) AND THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE CITIES OF
15 HUNTINGTON WOODS, OAK PARK, AND PLEASANT RIDGE AND THE TOWNSHIP
16 OF ROYAL OAK APPROVE THE ABOLITION OF THE FORTY-FIFTH-B DISTRICT
17 BY RESOLUTION ADOPTED AND FILED WITH THE STATE COURT ADMINISTRA-
18 TOR NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2001, THE FORTY-FIFTH-B DISTRICT
19 IS ABOLISHED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003.

20 (5) The forty-sixth district consists of the cities of
21 Southfield and Lathrup Village and the township of Southfield in
22 the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and has
23 3 judges.

24 (6) The forty-seventh district consists of the cities of
25 Farmington and Farmington Hills, is a district of the third
26 class, and has 2 judges. Subject to section 8175, this district
27 may have 1 additional judge subject to review and recommendation

1 by the state court administrator to the legislature and
2 subsequent legislation, if and when a district court judgeship is
3 eliminated within the state of Michigan.

4 (7) The forty-eighth district consists of the cities of
5 Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Sylvan Lake, Keego Harbor, and
6 Orchard Lake Village and the townships of Bloomfield and West
7 Bloomfield in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third
8 class, and has 3 judges.

9 (8) The fiftieth district consists of the city of Pontiac,
10 is a district of the third class, and HAS THE FOLLOWING NUMBER OF
11 JUDGES:

12 (A) UNTIL 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2003, THIS DISTRICT has 4
13 judges.

14 (B) BEGINNING 12 NOON, JANUARY 1, 2003, THIS DISTRICT HAS 3
15 JUDGES.

16 (9) The fifty-first district consists of the township of
17 Waterford in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third
18 class, and has 2 judges.

19 (10) The fifty-second district consists of the county of
20 Oakland except the cities of Madison Heights, Ferndale, Hazel
21 Park, Royal Oak, Berkley, Huntington Woods, Oak Park, Pleasant
22 Ridge, Southfield, Lathrup Village, Farmington, Farmington Hills,
23 Northville, Sylvan Lake, Keego Harbor, Orchard Lake Village,
24 Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, and Pontiac and the townships of
25 Royal Oak, Southfield, West Bloomfield, Bloomfield, and
26 Waterford, is a district of the second class, and is divided into
27 the following election divisions:

1 (a) The first division consists of the cities of Novi, South
2 Lyon, Wixom, and Walled Lake and the townships of Milford,
3 Highland, Commerce, Lyon, and Novi. Until January 1, 2003, the
4 first division also includes the townships of Rose and White
5 Lake. The first division has 3 judges. Subject to section 8175,
6 this division may have 1 additional judge effective January 1,
7 2003. If the Oakland county board of commissioners approves that
8 additional judgeship, the judgeship in the first division that is
9 filled by the district judge of the first division whose term
10 expires January 1, 2005 is transferred to the second division,
11 effective January 1, 2003.

12 (b) The second division consists of the city of the village
13 of Clarkston and the townships of Springfield, Independence,
14 Holly, Groveland, and Brandon. Beginning January 1, 2003, the
15 second division also includes the townships of Rose and White
16 Lake. The second division has 1 judge; however, effective
17 January 1, 2003, this division shall have 2 judges if a judgeship
18 is transferred to this division from the first division pursuant
19 to subdivision (a).

20 (c) The third division consists of the cities of Rochester,
21 Auburn Hills, Rochester Hills, and Lake Angelus and the townships
22 of Oxford, Addison, Orion, and Oakland and has 3 judges.

23 (d) The fourth division consists of the cities of Troy and
24 Clawson and has 3 judges.

25 Sec. 8130. (1) The sixty-first district consists of the
26 city of Grand Rapids, is a district of the third class and has

1 ~~5~~ 6 judges. ~~Subject to section 8175, this district may have 1~~
2 ~~additional judge effective January 1, 1989.~~

3 (2) The sixty-second-a district consists of the city of
4 Wyoming, is a district of the third class and has 2 judges.

5 (3) The sixty-second-b district consists of the city of
6 Kentwood, is a district of the third class and has 1 judge.

7 (4) The sixty-third district consists of the county of Kent
8 except the cities of Grand Rapids, Walker, Grandville, Wyoming
9 and Kentwood, is a district of the second class and is divided
10 into the following election divisions:

11 (a) The first division consists of the cities of Cedar
12 Springs and Rockford and the townships of Tyrone, Solon, Nelson,
13 Spencer, Sparta, Algoma, Courtland, Oakfield, Alpine, Plainfield,
14 Cannon and Grattan and has 1 judge. SUBJECT TO SECTION 8175,
15 THIS ELECTION DIVISION MAY HAVE 1 ADDITIONAL JUDGE EFFECTIVE
16 JANUARY 1, 2003. IF A NEW OFFICE OF JUDGE IS ADDED TO THIS DIS-
17 TRICT TO BE FILLED BY ELECTION IN 2002, THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE
18 JUDGE FOR THAT ELECTION ONLY SHALL BE 4 YEARS.

19 (b) The second division consists of the cities of East Grand
20 Rapids and Lowell and the townships of Grand Rapids, Ada,
21 Vergennes, Cascade, Lowell, Byron, Gaines, Caledonia and Bowne
22 and has 1 judge.

23 Enacting section 1. For purposes of the 2006 general elec-
24 tion only, the term of the candidate for district judge in the
25 eighteenth district who receives the greatest number of votes
26 shall be 8 years, and the term of the candidate receiving the
27 next greatest number of votes shall be 6 years.