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## JUDGES RETIREMENT: EXTEND FILING PERIOD FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INCREASE

House Bill 5037  
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Committee: Judiciary

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### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5037 AS INTRODUCED 8-13-03

Public Act 675 of 2002 amended the defined benefit provisions of the Judges Retirement Act to provide a supplemental increase in the retirement allowances of retirees (and beneficiaries of deceased retirees) who retired between January 1, 1980 and January 1, 1992, if those retirees and beneficiaries waived their claims in the case of *Ernst v Roberts*. (For more information, see the enrolled analysis of House Bill 4675 by the House Legislative Analysis Section dated 1-13-03.)

To be eligible for the supplemental retirement benefit, a retiree or beneficiary had to file a waiver of any claims under *Ernst* between January 1, 2003 and April 1, 2003. House Bill 5037 would amend the same section of the Judges Retirement Act to extend the deadline for filing a fully executed waiver agreement with the retirement system until December 31, 2003 for those who meet the criteria for the benefit supplement but did not receive notice of the waiver agreement or a copy of the waiver agreement by the April 1, 2003 deadline set by Public Act 675.

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