

Legislative Analysis



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House Bill 6226

Sponsor: Rep. Jim Howell

Committee: Judiciary

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 6226 AS INTRODUCED 9-22-04

Public Act 190 of 1993 enlarged the Michigan Court of Appeals from 24 to 28 judges and provided for the transition from a 24-judge, three-district court to a 28-judge, four-district court. However, judges who were elected or appointed to a first term that began after the provision's effective date of January 1, 1994 have been restricted to maintaining offices only in Lansing, Grand Rapids, Detroit, or Southfield.

House Bill 6226 would amend the Revised Judicature Act to instead allow the judges elected or appointed after January 1, 1994 to maintain offices only in the principal court of appeals offices in the district in which he or she was elected or in another office located in the city where the principal court of appeals facilities are located.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no direct fiscal impact for the state or local units of government.

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