

# HOUSE BILL No. 4749

May 22, 2003, Introduced by Rep. Shulman 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 175.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 175. (1) The judicial technology improvement fund is  
2 created in the state treasury. The money in the fund shall be  
3 used as provided in this section.

4       (2) The state treasurer shall credit to the judicial  
5 technology improvement fund deposits of proceeds from the  
6 collection of revenue from court fees as provided in this act and  
7 shall credit all income from investment credited to the fund by  
8 the state treasurer. The state treasurer may invest money in the  
9 fund in any manner authorized by law for the investment of state  
10 money. However, an investment shall not interfere with any  
11 apportionment, allocation, or payment of money as required by

1 this section. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund all  
2 income earned as a result of an investment of money in the fund.  
3 The unencumbered balance remaining in the fund at the end of a  
4 fiscal year shall remain in the fund and shall not revert to the  
5 general fund.

6 (3) The state court administrative office shall administer  
7 the judicial technology improvement fund. Money from the fund  
8 shall be expended for the development and ongoing support of a  
9 statewide judicial information system. The supreme court and the  
10 state court administrative office, working with the departments  
11 of state police, corrections, information technology, and  
12 secretary of state and with the prosecuting attorneys association  
13 of Michigan, will develop a statewide telecommunications  
14 infrastructure to integrate criminal justice information  
15 systems. The judicial technology improvement fund shall also be  
16 used to pursue technology innovations that will result in  
17 enhanced public service and access to local trial courts. These  
18 innovations will include, but not be limited to, electronic  
19 filing, on-line payments of fines and fees, data warehousing, and  
20 web-based instructions for completion of court documents.

21 (4) The state court administrative office shall be reimbursed  
22 annually from the judicial technology improvement fund for all  
23 reasonable costs associated with the administration of this  
24 section, including judicial and staff training, on-site  
25 management assistance, and software development and conversion.

26 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect  
27 October 1, 2003.