

Act No. 237
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
93RD LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2005**

Introduced by Senator George

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 193

AN ACT to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the organization and jurisdiction of the courts of this state; the powers and duties of such courts, and of the judges and other officers thereof; the forms and attributes of civil claims and actions; the time within which civil actions and proceedings may be brought in said courts; pleading, evidence, practice and procedure in civil and criminal actions and proceedings in said courts; to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 8117 (MCL 600.8117), as amended by 1997 PA 161.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 8117. The eighth district consists of the county of Kalamazoo, is a district of the first class, and has 7 judges.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January 2, 2007.

Enacting section 2. Upon the effective date of this amendatory act, all incumbent district judges elected or appointed to the first, second, and third election divisions of the eighth district and serving at 11:59 p.m. on January 1, 2007 shall serve as judges of the reconstituted eighth district until the expiration of the terms for which they were elected or appointed.

Enacting section 3. To stagger the terms of 7 district judges in the eighth district court district so that approximately 1/3 of those terms expire every 2 years, the candidate for district judge receiving the highest number of votes in the 2010 general election only shall receive a term of 8 years if both of the following conditions apply:

(a) That candidate is among the persons listed together on the ballot seeking election to 1 or more existing judgeships for which the incumbent judge is seeking election.

(b) That candidate is not seeking election to fill the unexpired portion of a term.

Carol Morey Viventi

Secretary of the Senate

Sam E. Randall

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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Governor