

HOUSE BILL No. 4420

March 7, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Constan, Meadows, Johnson, Robert Jones, Clemente, Bieda, Hammel, Clack, Gillard, Byrnes, Brown, Young, Lemmons, Moss, Ebli, Angerer, Leland, Alma Smith, Polidori, Lindberg, Bennett, Valentine, Lahti, Dean, Bauer, Cushingberry, Spade, Donigan, Hammon, Wojno, Sheltroun, Hopgood, Vagnozzi, Hood and Virgil Smith and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending section 8121 (MCL 600.8121), as amended by 2001 PA 258.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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

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

10 (5) ~~The~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE**

1 twentieth district consists of the city of Dearborn Heights, is a
2 district of the third class, and has 2 judges. **IF THE CITY OF**
3 **DEARBORN HEIGHTS AND THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY APPROVE THE**
4 **REFORMATION OF THE TWENTIETH DISTRICT AND THE ABOLITION OF THE**
5 **TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT PURSUANT TO LAW, THE TWENTIETH DISTRICT**
6 **CONSISTS OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN HEIGHTS AND THE CITY OF GARDEN**
7 **CITY, IS A DISTRICT OF THE THIRD CLASS, AND HAS 3 JUDGES, EFFECTIVE**
8 **JANUARY 2, 2008.**

9 (6) ~~The~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE**
10 twenty-first district consists of the city of Garden City, is a
11 district of the third class, and has 1 judge. **IF THE CITY OF**
12 **DEARBORN HEIGHTS AND THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY APPROVE THE**
13 **REFORMATION OF THE TWENTIETH DISTRICT AND THE ABOLITION OF THE**
14 **TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT PURSUANT TO LAW, THE TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT IS**
15 **ABOLISHED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2, 2008.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

5 (12) The twenty-seventh district consists of the ~~following, as~~
6 ~~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 and~~
10 ~~Riverview, is a district of the third class, and is divided into~~
11 ~~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 and~~
15 ~~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 of~~
19 ~~Wyandotte and Riverview, is a district of the third class, and has~~
20 ~~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 elected~~
23 ~~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 twenty-ninth district consists of the city of Wayne,
27 is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

1 (15) The thirtieth district consists of the city of Highland
2 Park, is a district of the third class, and has ~~the following~~
3 ~~number of judges:—~~ **1 JUDGE.**

4 ~~—— (a) Until subdivision (b) takes effect, this district has 2~~
5 ~~judges.~~

6 ~~—— (b) This district has 1 judge beginning on the earlier of the~~
7 ~~following dates:~~

8 ~~—— (i) The date on which a vacancy occurs in the office of~~
9 ~~district judge in this district.~~

10 ~~—— (ii) 12 noon, January 1, 2003.~~

11 (16) The thirty-first district consists of the city of
12 Hamtramck, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

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

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

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

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

27 (21) The thirty-fifth district consists of the cities of

1 Northville and Plymouth and the townships of Northville, Plymouth,
2 and Canton in the county of Wayne, is a district of the third
3 class, and has 2-3 judges. ~~Subject to section 8175, this district~~
4 ~~may have 1 additional judge effective January 1, 2003. If a new~~
5 ~~office of judge is added to this district to be filled by election~~
6 ~~in 2002, the term of office of the judge for that election only~~
7 ~~shall be 8 years.~~

8 Enacting section 1. If the twentieth judicial district is
9 reformed and the twenty-first judicial district is abolished
10 pursuant to this amendatory act and section 8176 of the revised
11 judicature act of 1961, MCL 600.8176, the change in the composition
12 of the affected judicial districts shall take effect for judicial
13 purposes on January 2, 2008, and the incumbent judge of the twenty-
14 first judicial district who resides in Garden City shall become a
15 judge of the twentieth judicial district on January 2, 2008 and
16 shall serve until the term for which he or she was elected or
17 appointed in the twenty-first judicial district expires.