

HOUSE BILL No. 4313

February 22, 2011, Introduced by Reps. Constan, Geiss, Womack, Stallworth, Liss, Oakes, Durhal, Lindberg, Tlaib, Darany, Heise and Santana 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.

1 (5) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE
2 twentieth district consists of the city of Dearborn Heights, is a
3 district of the third class, and has 2 judges. IF THE CITY OF
4 DEARBORN HEIGHTS AND THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY APPROVE BY RESOLUTION
5 OF THEIR LEGISLATIVE BODIES THE REFORMATION OF THE TWENTIETH
6 DISTRICT AND THE ABOLITION OF THE TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT PURSUANT TO
7 LAW, THE TWENTIETH DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE CITY OF DEARBORN
8 HEIGHTS AND THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, IS A DISTRICT OF THE THIRD
9 CLASS, AND HAS 3 JUDGES, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2, 2012.

10 (6) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE
11 twenty-first district consists of the city of Garden City, is a
12 district of the third class, and has 1 judge. IF THE CITY OF
13 DEARBORN HEIGHTS AND THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY APPROVE BY RESOLUTION
14 OF THEIR LEGISLATIVE BODIES THE REFORMATION OF THE TWENTIETH
15 DISTRICT AND THE ABOLITION OF THE TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT PURSUANT TO
16 LAW, THE TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT IS ABOLISHED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2,
17 2012.

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

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

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

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

27 (11) The twenty-sixth district consists of the cities of River

1 Rouge and Ecorse, is a district of the third class, and is divided
2 into the following election divisions:

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

5 (b) The second division consists of the city of Ecorse and has
6 1 judge.

7 (12) The twenty-seventh district consists of the following, as
8 applicable:

9 ~~—— (a) Until January 1, 2003 or until a vacancy occurs in a
10 judgeship in the twenty seventh district, whichever occurs first,
11 the twenty seventh district consists of the cities of Wyandotte and
12 Riverview, is a district of the third class, and is divided into
13 the following election divisions:~~

14 ~~—— (i) The first division consists of the city of Wyandotte and
15 has 1 judge.~~

16 ~~—— (ii) The second division consists of the city of Riverview and
17 has 1 judge.~~

18 ~~—— (b) Beginning January 1, 2003 or the date on which a vacancy
19 occurs in a judgeship in the twenty seventh district, whichever
20 occurs first, the twenty seventh district consists of the cities of
21 Wyandotte and Riverview, is a district of the third class, and has
22 1 judge. The remaining incumbent judge of the twenty seventh
23 district shall serve as the judge of the entire twenty seventh
24 district for the balance of the term to which he or she was elected
25 or appointed.~~

26 (13) The twenty-eighth district consists of the city of
27 Southgate, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

1 (14) The twenty-ninth district consists of the city of Wayne,
2 is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1 has 3 judges.

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

10 Enacting section 1. If the twentieth judicial district is
11 reformed and the twenty-first judicial district is abolished
12 pursuant to this amendatory act and section 8176 of the revised
13 judicature act of 1961, MCL 600.8176, all of the following apply:

14 (a) The change in the composition of the affected judicial
15 districts shall take effect for judicial purposes on January 2,
16 2012.

17 (b) The incumbent judge of the twenty-first judicial district
18 who resides in Garden City shall become a judge of the twentieth
19 judicial district on January 2, 2012 and shall serve until the term
20 for which he or she was elected or appointed in the twenty-first
21 judicial district expires.

22 (c) For purposes of the November 2014 general election only,
23 the term of the candidate for district judge in this district who
24 receives the highest number of votes shall be 8 years.