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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Introduced by Rep. Rutledge

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5103

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 the courts, and of the judges and other officers of the courts; the forms and attributes of civil claims and actions; the time within which civil actions and proceedings may be brought in the courts; pleading, evidence, practice, and procedure in civil and criminal actions and proceedings in the courts; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; 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 sections 8121 and 8123 (MCL 600.8121 and 600.8123), as amended by 2011 PA 300.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

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

(2) The seventeenth district consists of the township of Redford in the county of Wayne, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

(3) The eighteenth district consists of the city of Westland, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

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

(5) The twentieth district consists of the city of Dearborn Heights, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

(6) The twenty-first district consists of the city of Garden City, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

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

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

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

(10) The twenty-fifth district consists of the city of Lincoln Park, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges. Beginning April 1, 2012, the twenty-fifth district consists of the cities of Ecorse, Lincoln Park, and River Rouge, is a district of the third class, and has 3 judges. The additional judgeship in the twenty-fifth district shall be filled by the incumbent judge of the twenty-sixth district, who shall become a judge of the twenty-fifth district for the balance of the term to which he or she was elected or appointed. Sections 8175 and 8176 do not apply to the consolidation of the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth districts. Beginning April 2, 2012, the twenty-fifth district has 2 judges.

(11) The twenty-sixth district consists of the cities of River Rouge and Ecorse, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge. Beginning on April 1, 2012, the twenty-sixth district is abolished and the judge of the twenty-sixth district shall become a judge of the twenty-fifth district for the balance of the term to which he or she was elected or appointed.

(12) The twenty-seventh district consists of the cities of Wyandotte and Riverview, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

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

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

(15) The thirtieth district consists of the city of Highland Park, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge.

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

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

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

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

(a) Until the date determined under subdivision (b), 3 judges.

(b) Beginning on the earlier of the following dates, 2 judges:

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

(ii) The beginning date of the term for which an incumbent district judge in this district no longer seeks election or reelection to that office.

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

(21) The thirty-fifth district consists of the cities of Northville and Plymouth and the townships of Northville, Plymouth, and Canton in the county of Wayne, is a district of the third class, and has 3 judges.

Sec. 8123. (1) The forty-third district consists of the cities of Madison Heights, Ferndale, and Hazel Park, is a district of the third class, and has 3 judges.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the forty-fourth district consists of the city of Royal Oak, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges. Beginning January 2, 2013, the forty-fourth district has 1 judge beginning on the earlier of the following dates:

(a) The date on which a vacancy occurs in the office of district judge in the forty-fourth district.

(b) The beginning date of the term for which an incumbent district judge in the forty-fourth district no longer seeks election or reelection to that office.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the forty-fifth-a district consists of the city of Berkley, is a district of the third class, and has 1 judge. Subject to subsection (11), beginning July 1, 2012, the forty-fifth district is created. The forty-fifth district consists of the cities of Berkley, Huntington Woods, Oak Park, and Pleasant Ridge and the township of Royal Oak in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and has 3 judges. Beginning July 1, 2012, the forty-fifth-a district is abolished and the judge of the forty-fifth-a district shall become a judge of the forty-fifth district for the balance of the term to which he or she was elected or appointed. Sections 8175 and 8176 do not apply to the consolidation of the forty-fifth-a and forty-fifth-b districts. For purposes of the November 2020 general election only, the term of the candidate for district judge in the forty-fifth judicial district who receives the highest number of votes is 8 years and the term of the candidate for district judge in the forty-fifth judicial district who receives the second highest number of votes is 6 years. Beginning July 2, 2012, the forty-fifth district has 2 judges beginning on the earlier of the following dates:

(a) The date on which a vacancy occurs in the office of district judge in the forty-fifth district.

(b) The beginning date of the term for which an incumbent district judge in the forty-fifth district no longer seeks election or reelection to that office.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the forty-fifth-b district consists of the cities of Huntington Woods, Oak Park, and Pleasant Ridge and the township of Royal Oak in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges. Beginning July 1, 2012, the forty-fifth-b district is abolished and the judges of the forty-fifth-b district shall become judges of the forty-fifth district for the balance of the term to which they were elected or appointed.

(5) The forty-sixth district consists of the cities of Southfield and Lathrup Village and the township of Southfield in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and has 3 judges.

(6) The forty-seventh district consists of the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

(7) The forty-eighth district consists of the cities of Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Sylvan Lake, Keego Harbor, and Orchard Lake Village and the townships of Bloomfield and West Bloomfield in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and has the following number of judges:

(a) Until the date determined under subdivision (b), the forty-eighth district has 3 judges.

(b) The forty-eighth district has 2 judges beginning on the earlier of the following dates:

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

(ii) The beginning date of the term for which an incumbent district judge in this district no longer seeks election or reelection to that office.

(8) The fiftieth district consists of the city of Pontiac, is a district of the third class, and has the following number of judges:

(a) Until the date determined under subdivision (b), 4 judges.

(b) The fiftieth district has 3 judges beginning on the earlier of the following dates:

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

(ii) The beginning date of the term for which an incumbent district judge in this district no longer seeks election or reelection to that office.

(9) The fifty-first district consists of the township of Waterford in the county of Oakland, is a district of the third class, and has 2 judges.

(10) The fifty-second district consists of the county of Oakland except the cities of Madison Heights, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Royal Oak, Berkley, Huntington Woods, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Southfield, Lathrup Village, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Northville, Sylvan Lake, Keego Harbor, Orchard Lake Village, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, and Pontiac and the townships of Royal Oak, Southfield, West Bloomfield, Bloomfield, and Waterford, is a district of the second class, and is divided into the following election divisions:

(a) The first division consists of the cities of Novi, South Lyon, Wixom, and Walled Lake and the townships of Milford, Highland, Commerce, Lyon, and Novi and has 3 judges.

(b) The second division consists of the city of the village of Clarkston and the townships of Springfield, Independence, Holly, Groveland, Brandon, Rose, and White Lake and has 2 judges.

(c) The third division consists of the cities of Rochester, Auburn Hills, Rochester Hills, and Lake Angelus and the townships of Oxford, Addison, Orion, and Oakland and has 3 judges.

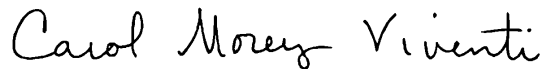
(d) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, the fourth division consists of the cities of Troy and Clawson and has 3 judges. Beginning 12 noon, January 1, 2013, the fourth division has 2 judges.

(11) If the district control units for the forty-fifth-a and forty-fifth-b district court districts submit an alternative judicial reorganization plan that is approved by the state court administrative office by July 1, 2012, then the reorganization provisions of subsections (3) and (4) do not apply.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Clerk of the House of Representatives



Secretary of the Senate

Approved

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Governor