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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
98TH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2015**

Introduced by Senators Jones, Marleau and Stamas

# **ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 531**

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," (MCL 600.101 to 600.9947) by adding sections 1990, 1991, 1992, and 1993.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Sec. 1990. Any electronic filing system fee paid by a party is a recoverable taxable cost.

Sec. 1991. (1) A court may apply to the supreme court for access to and use of the electronic filing system.

(2) If the supreme court accepts a court under subsection (1), the state court administrative office shall use money from the judicial electronic filing fund established under section 176 to pay the costs of technological improvements necessary for that court to operate electronic filing.

(3) The supreme court may select a qualified vendor for the electronic filing system.

Sec. 1992. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require a person to file a document electronically. A court or court funding unit shall not require or permit a person to file a document electronically except as directed by the supreme court.

Sec. 1993. An electronic filing system fee shall not be collected under section 1986(1) after February 28, 2021.

Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January 1, 2016.

Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect unless all of the following bills of the 98th Legislature are enacted into law:

- (a) Senate Bill No. 532.
- (b) Senate Bill No. 533.
- (c) House Bill No. 5028.
- (d) House Bill No. 5029.
- (e) House Bill No. 5030.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



Secretary of the Senate



Clerk of the House of Representatives

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Governor