

**REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 236 of 1961**

**600.808 Question of creation of district; submission to electors; resolution calling for special election; form of question; counting, canvassing, and returning votes; canvassing and certifying results; effect of approval; election of probate judge; reimbursement of costs.**

Sec. 808. (1) When each county board of commissioners of a district described in section 807 agrees by resolution to form a district, the question of creation of the district shall be submitted to the electors of the affected counties at the next primary, general, or special election that occurs more than 49 days after the resolution is adopted. A special election for submission of the question may be called by resolution adopted by each county board of commissioners in the proposed district.

(2) The question relative to creating the district shall be in substantially the following form:

"Shall this county join in a probate court district, which will consist of the counties of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ if the majority of the electors voting on the question in each affected county approve?"

Yes ( )

No ( )".

(3) The votes on the question shall be counted, canvassed, and returned in the manner provided by law. The results shall be canvassed and certified by the board of state canvassers in the same manner as provided for state propositions under chapter 31 of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.841 to 168.848.

(4) If approved by a majority of the electors voting on the question in each of the counties affected, those counties shall constitute the probate court district corresponding to the appropriate district described in section 807, and that district becomes effective as provided in section 809 or 810, whichever section results in an earlier effective date.

(5) The election of the probate judge for a probate court district created under this section shall be held as provided in section 811.

(6) The state shall reimburse the affected counties for the additional cost of submitting the question of the district to the electors of the affected counties if the question is submitted to the electors at a primary, general, or special election held after January 2, 2007.

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