SENATE BILL NO. 834

December 4, 1997, Introduced by Senators GOUGEON and DE GROW and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961," by amending section 8138 (MCL 600.8138).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 8138. (1) The EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2),
- 2 THE seventy-third district consists of the counties of Huron and
- 3 Sanilac, is a district of the first class, and is divided into
- 4 the following election divisions:
- 5 (a) The first division consists of the county of Huron and
- 6 has 1 judge.
- 7 (b) The second division consists of the county of Sanilac
- 8 and has 1 judge.
- 9 (2) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1999, IF THE COUNTY OF SANILAC
- 10 APPROVES THE CREATION OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD-A DISTRICT PURSUANT TO
- 11 LAW, AND IF THE COUNTY OF HURON APPROVES THE CREATION OF THE

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- 1 SEVENTY-THIRD-B DISTRICT PURSUANT TO LAW, BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING
- 2 APPLY:
- 3 (A) THE SEVENTY-THIRD-A DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF
- 4 SANILAC, IS A DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS, AND HAS 1 JUDGE.
- 5 (B) THE SEVENTY-THIRD-B DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF
- 6 HURON, IS A DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS, AND HAS 1 JUDGE.
- 7 Enacting section 1. The creation of the seventy-third-a
- 8 district and the seventy-third-b district, as allowed by this
- 9 1998 amendatory act, shall not take place unless resolutions of
- 10 approval by the county boards of commissioners of the counties of
- 11 Huron and Sanilac, as required by section 8176 of the revised
- 12 judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.8176, are filed with
- 13 the state court administrator not later than April 1, 1998.
- 14 Enacting section 2. If new judicial districts of the dis-
- 15 trict court are created under this amendatory act pursuant to
- 16 section 8176 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236,
- 17 MCL 800.8176, the change in the composition of the affected judi-
- 18 cial districts shall take effect for judicial purposes on January
- 19 1, 1999. If the seventy-third-a district and the seventy-third-b
- 20 district are created pursuant to this amendatory act, both of the
- 21 following apply to the judges of the seventy-third district serv-
- 22 ing on the effective date of this amendatory act:
- 23 (a) The judge who resides in Sanilac county and whose term
- 24 expires on January 1, 2003 shall become a judge of the
- 25 seventy-third-a district on January 1, 1999 for the balance of
- 26 the term for which he or she was elected, except that he or she

- 1 must continue to meet other requirements for eligibility to serve
- 2 as district judge, including residency requirements.
- **3** (b) The judge who resides in Huron county and whose term
- 4 expires on January 1, 2003 shall become a judge of the
- 5 seventy-third-b district on January 1, 1998 for the balance of
- 6 the term to which he or she was elected, except that he or she
- 7 must continue to meet other requirements for eligibility to serve
- 8 as district judge, including residency requirements.

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