

INCREASE JURISDICTIONAL AMOUNTS

House Bill 5483

Sponsor: Rep. James M. Middaugh Committee: Conservation, Environment

and Recreation

Complete to 2-23-98

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5483 AS INTRODUCED 1-21-98

Part 16 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), which regulates laws enforcing the protection of wild birds, wild animals, and fish, identifies the appropriate courts which, when property is seized, determine whether the property may be confiscated or not. Part 16 specifies that, in certain circumstances, the district court has jurisdiction if the seized property is valued at more than \$10,000. <u>House Bill 5483</u> would amend the NREPA to increase this amount to \$25,000. The bill would also delete references to the Detroit common pleas court.

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