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House Bill 4881 (as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Ken Horn
House Committee: Judiciary
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CONTENT

The bill would repeal two sections of the Revised Judicature Act dealing with the election and responsibilities of a State presiding probate judge.

Section 819 authorizes the State's probate judges to meet in annual convention before October 1 of each year and elect a State presiding probate judge for the ensuing calendar year. The State presiding probate judge must appoint probate judges to hold court in another county as provided in Section 824. The State presiding judge also must appoint a committee to draft rules for uniform practice and procedure in the Probate Court.

Section 824 allows the probate judge or probate register of a county or probate court district in which the office of probate judge is vacant or the judge is temporarily absent to request the State presiding probate judge to assign a probate judge of another county or probate court district to serve as a probate judge of that county or probate court district.

The bill would repeal Sections 819 and 824.

MCL 600.819 & 600.824

Legislative Analyst: Patrick Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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