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HOUSE BILL No. 5101

October 19, 2011, Introduced by Rep. Walsh and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"
by amending sections 524, 8146, and 8148 (MCL 600.524, 600.8146, and 600.8148), as amended by 2002 PA 92.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 524. (1) The EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE

twenty-third judicial circuit consists of the counties of Tosco and

Oscoda and has 1 judge. Beginning April 1, 2003, the twenty-third

judicial circuit consists of the counties of Alcona, Arenac, Iosco,

and Oscoda and has 2 judges. The additional judgeship in this

circuit shall be filled by the incumbent circuit judge of the

thirty-fourth circuit residing in Arenac county with a term ending

January 1, 2009, who shall serve as a judge of the twenty-third

circuit for the balance of the term to which he or she was elected

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- 1 or appointed. For purposes of the November 2008 general election
- 2 only, the term of the candidate for circuit judge in this circuit
- 3 who receives the highest number of votes shall be-IS 8 years, and
- 4 the term of the candidate receiving the second highest number of
- 5 votes shall be IS 6 years.
- 6 (2) BEGINNING ON THE EARLIER OF THE FOLLOWING DATES, THE
- 7 TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT HAS 1 JUDGE:
- 8 (A) THE DATE ON WHICH A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE OFFICE OF
- 9 CIRCUIT JUDGE IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT.
- 10 (B) THE BEGINNING DATE OF THE TERM FOR WHICH AN INCUMBENT
- 11 CIRCUIT JUDGE IN THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT NO LONGER SEEKS
- 12 ELECTION OR REELECTION TO THAT OFFICE.
- Sec. 8146. (1) The EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE
- 14 eighty-first district consists of the counties of Hosco and Arenac,
- 15 is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge. Beginning April
- 16 1, 2003, the eighty-first district consists of the counties of
- 17 Alcona, Arenac, Iosco, and Oscoda, is a district of the first
- 18 class, and has 1 judge.
- 19 (2) BEGINNING ON THE DATE ON WHICH A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE
- 20 OFFICE OF DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT OR THE
- 21 BEGINNING DATE OF THE TERM FOR WHICH THE INCUMBENT DISTRICT JUDGE
- 22 IN THE EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT NO LONGER SEEKS ELECTION OR REELECTION
- 23 TO THAT OFFICE, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 24 (A) UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF
- 25 ALCONA SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT WITHIN THE
- 26 COUNTY OF ALCONA.
- 27 (B) UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF

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- 1 ARENAC SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT WITHIN THE
- 2 COUNTY OF ARENAC.
- 3 (C) UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF
- 4 IOSCO SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT WITHIN THE
- 5 COUNTY OF IOSCO.
- 6 (D) UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF
- 7 OSCODA SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-FIRST DISTRICT WITHIN THE
- 8 COUNTY OF OSCODA.
- 9 Sec. 8148. (1) The EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE
- 10 eighty-third district consists of the counties of Roscommon and
- 11 Crawford, is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.
- 12 Beginning April 1, 2003, the eighty-third district consists of the
- 13 county of Roscommon, is a district of the first class, and has 1
- 14 judge.
- 15 (2) BEGINNING ON THE DATE ON WHICH A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE
- 16 OFFICE OF DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE EIGHTY-THIRD DISTRICT OR THE
- 17 BEGINNING DATE OF THE TERM FOR WHICH THE INCUMBENT DISTRICT JUDGE
- 18 IN THE EIGHTY-THIRD DISTRICT NO LONGER SEEKS ELECTION OR REELECTION
- 19 TO THAT OFFICE, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, THE EIGHTY-THIRD DISTRICT
- 20 CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF ROSCOMMON AND IS A DISTRICT OF THE FIRST
- 21 CLASS. UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF
- 22 ROSCOMMON SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD DISTRICT.