

# SENATE BILL No. 837

November 10, 2011, Introduced by Senator JONES and referred to the Committee on Redistricting.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled  
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"  
by amending sections 8152, 8153, and 8154 (MCL 600.8152, 600.8153,  
and 600.8154), section 8152 as amended by 2008 PA 137.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 8152. ~~(1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3),~~  
2       ~~the eighty seventh district consists of the counties of Crawford,~~  
3       ~~Kalkaska, and Otsego, is a district of the first class, and has 1~~  
4       ~~judge.~~

5       ~~—— (2) If the condition in subsection (3) is met, all of the~~  
6       ~~following apply effective January 2, 2009:~~

7       (1) ~~(a) The eighty seventh~~ **EIGHTY-SEVENTH-A** district consists  
8       of the county of Otsego, is a district of the first class, and has

9       **THE FOLLOWING NUMBER OF JUDGES:**

(A) UNTIL THE DATE DETERMINED UNDER SUBDIVISION (B), THIS DISTRICT HAS 1 judge. ~~and shall be redesignated as the eighty-seventh-A district.~~

(B) BEGINNING ON THE DATE ON WHICH A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH-A DISTRICT OR THE BEGINNING DATE OF THE TERM FOR WHICH THE INCUMBENT DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH-A DISTRICT NO LONGER SEEKS ELECTION OR REELECTION TO THAT OFFICE, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH-A DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTY OF OTSEGO AND IS A DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS. UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF OTSEGO SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE SECOND-A DISTRICT.

(2) ~~(b)~~ The eighty-seventh-B district consists of the county of Kalkaska and is a district of the first class. ~~Pursuant to~~ **UNDER** section 810a, the Kalkaska county probate judge shall serve as judge of the eighty-seventh-B district.

(3) ~~(c)~~ The eighty-seventh-C district consists of the county of Crawford and is a district of the first class. ~~Pursuant to~~ **UNDER** section 810a, the Crawford county probate judge shall serve as judge of the eighty-seventh-C district.

~~(3) Subsection (2) does not take effect unless the county of Otsego by resolution adopted by the governing body of the district funding unit approves the reformation of the eighty seventh district and its redesignation as the eighty seventh A district and files a copy of the resolution with the state court administrator.~~

Sec. 8153. The eighty-eighth district consists of the counties of Alpena and Montmorency, is a district of the first class, and

1 has 1 judge. BEGINNING ON THE DATE ON WHICH A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE  
2 OFFICE OF DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT OR THE  
3 BEGINNING DATE OF THE TERM FOR WHICH THE INCUMBENT DISTRICT JUDGE  
4 IN THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT NO LONGER SEEKS ELECTION OR  
5 REELECTION TO THAT OFFICE, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH  
6 DISTRICT CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF ALPENA AND MONTMORENCY AND IS  
7 A DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS. UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE  
8 JUDGE FOR THE COUNTY OF ALPENA SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-  
9 EIGHTH DISTRICT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF ALPENA, AND THE PROBATE JUDGE  
10 FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-  
11 EIGHTH DISTRICT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY.

12 Sec. 8154. (1) ~~The~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THE  
13 eighty-ninth district consists of the counties of Cheboygan and  
14 Presque Isle, is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.

15 (2) BEGINNING ON THE DATE ON WHICH A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE  
16 OFFICE OF DISTRICT JUDGE IN THE EIGHTY-NINTH DISTRICT OR THE  
17 BEGINNING DATE OF THE TERM FOR WHICH THE INCUMBENT DISTRICT JUDGE  
18 IN THE EIGHTY-NINTH DISTRICT NO LONGER SEEKS ELECTION OR REELECTION  
19 TO THAT OFFICE, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, THE EIGHTY-NINTH DISTRICT  
20 CONSISTS OF THE COUNTIES OF CHEBOYGAN AND PRESQUE ISLE AND IS A  
21 DISTRICT OF THE FIRST CLASS. UNDER SECTION 810A, THE PROBATE JUDGE  
22 FOR THE COUNTY OF CHEBOYGAN SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-  
23 NINTH DISTRICT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF CHEBOYGAN AND THE PROBATE JUDGE  
24 FOR THE COUNTY OF PRESQUE ISLE SHALL SERVE AS JUDGE OF THE EIGHTY-  
25 NINTH DISTRICT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF PRESQUE ISLE.