

# HOUSE BILL No. 4091

January 23, 2013, Introduced by Rep. Kowall and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled  
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"  
by amending section 1344 (MCL 600.1344), as amended by 2002 PA 739.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1344. (1) A juror shall be reimbursed for his or her  
2 traveling expenses at a rate, determined by the county board of  
3 commissioners, that is not less than ~~10~~22 cents per mile for  
4 traveling from the juror's residence to the place of holding court  
5 and returning for each day or 1/2 day of actual attendance at  
6 sessions of the court.

7           (2) A juror also shall be compensated at a rate, determined by  
8 the county board of commissioners, as follows:

9           ~~(a) Until October 1, 2003, not less than \$15.00 per day and~~  
10 ~~\$7.50 per 1/2 day of actual attendance at the court.~~

11           ~~(b) Beginning October 1, 2003, a rate determined as follows:~~

1           (A) ~~(i)~~—For the first day or 1/2 day of actual attendance at  
2 the court, not less than \$25.00 per day and \$12.50 per 1/2 day.

3           (B) ~~(ii)~~—For each subsequent day or 1/2 day of actual  
4 attendance at the court, not less than \$40.00 per day and \$20.00  
5 per 1/2 day.

6           (3) If an action is removed from the circuit court to a lower  
7 court, the jury fee shall be paid to the circuit court whether paid  
8 before or after removal of the action to the lower court, and the  
9 circuit court shall be responsible for payment of the compensation  
10 to the juror involved.

11           (4) A clerk or deputy clerk of the court who fraudulently  
12 issues a certificate of attendance of a juror on which the juror  
13 receives pay, except as allowed by law, is guilty of a misdemeanor,  
14 punishable by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or a fine of  
15 not more than \$500.00, or both.

16           Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect October  
17 1, 2013.

18           Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
19 unless Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4090(request no.  
20 00094'13) of the 97th Legislature is enacted into law.