

**REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 236 of 1961**

**600.8112 Second district; Lenawee and Hillsdale counties; creation of second-a district and second-b district.**

Sec. 8112.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the second district consists of the counties of Lenawee and Hillsdale, is a district of the first class, and is divided into the following election divisions:

- (a) The first division consists of the county of Lenawee and has 2 judges.
- (b) The second division consists of the county of Hillsdale and has 1 judge.

(2) Effective January 1, 1999, if the county of Lenawee approves the creation of the second-a district pursuant to law, and if the county of Hillsdale approves the creation of the second-b district pursuant to law, both of the following apply:

- (a) The second-a district consists of the county of Lenawee, is a district of the first class, and has 2 judges.
- (b) The second-b district consists of the county of Hillsdale, is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.

**History:** Add. 1968, Act 154, Imd. Eff. June 17, 1968 ;-- Am. 1998, Act 13, Imd. Eff. Mar. 5, 1998

**Compiler's Notes:** Enacting sections 1 and 2 of Act 13 of 1998 provide: "Enacting section 1. The creation of the second-a district and the second-b district, as allowed by this 1998 amendatory act, shall not take place unless resolutions of approval by the county boards of commissioners of the counties of Lenawee and Hillsdale, as required by section 8176 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.8176, are filed with the state court administrator not later than April 1, 1998." Enacting section 2. If new judicial districts of the district court are created under this amendatory act pursuant to section 8176 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 800.8176 [sic], the change in the composition of the affected judicial districts shall take effect for election purposes on April 1, 1998 and shall take effect for judicial purposes on January 1, 1999. If the second-a district and second-b district are created pursuant to this amendatory act, both of the following apply to the judges of the second district serving on the effective date of this amendatory act: "(a) The incumbent judge who resides in Hillsdale county and whose term expires on January 1, 2003 shall become a judge of the second-b district on January 1, 1999 for the balance of the term for which he or she was elected, except that he or she must continue to meet other requirements for eligibility to serve as district judge, including residency requirements." (b) If the incumbent judge who resides in Lenawee county and whose term expires January 1, 1999 seeks election in the second-a district for a term beginning January 1, 1999 and meets other requirements for eligibility to serve as district judge, including residency requirements, that judge is entitled to the designation of his or her office on the ballot in the 1998 August primary election and in the 1998 November general election. The incumbent judge may qualify for nomination by filing an affidavit of candidacy as an incumbent judge of the second-a district as provided in section 467c of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.467c." (c) The incumbent judge who resides in Lenawee county and whose term expires January 1, 2003 shall become a judge of the second-a district on January 1, 1999 for the balance of the term for which he or she was elected or appointed, except that he or she must continue to meet other requirements for eligibility to serve as district judge, including residency requirements."