

# HOUSE BILL No. 5494

April 30, 2014, Introduced by Rep. Oakes and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled  
"Revised judicature act of 1961,"  
by amending section 8135 (MCL 600.8135), as amended by 2014 PA 60.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1           Sec. 8135. The seventieth district consists of the county of  
2 Saginaw, is a district of the first class, and is divided into the  
3 following election divisions:

4           (a) The first division consists of the cities of Saginaw and  
5 Zilwaukee and the townships of Zilwaukee, Buena Vista, Carrollton,  
6 and Bridgeport, and has 3 judges. However, the first division has 2  
7 judges beginning on the date on which a vacancy occurs in the  
8 office of district judge in the first division unless the vacancy  
9 occurs after the vacating judge has been defeated in a primary or

1 general election, or the beginning date of the term for which an  
2 incumbent district judge in the first division no longer seeks  
3 election or reelection to that office, whichever is earlier.

4 (b) The second division consists of the county of Saginaw,  
5 except the cities of Saginaw and Zilwaukee and the townships of  
6 Zilwaukee, Buena Vista, Carrollton, and Bridgeport, and has 2-3  
7 judges. ~~However, the second division has 3 judges beginning on the~~  
8 ~~date on which a vacancy occurs in the office of district judge in~~  
9 ~~the first division, unless the vacancy occurs after the vacating~~  
10 ~~judge has been defeated in a primary or general election, or the~~  
11 ~~beginning date of the term for which an incumbent district judge in~~  
12 ~~the first division no longer seeks election or reelection to that~~  
13 ~~office, whichever is earlier. The judgeship transferred from the~~  
14 ~~first division to the second division is not considered an~~  
15 ~~additional judgeship for purposes of section 8175 and may be filled~~  
16 ~~by appointment by the governor if it is the result of a vacancy in~~  
17 ~~the first division.~~