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House Bill 5538

Sponsor: Representative H. Lynn Jondahl

House Committee: Judiciary

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SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5538 as passed by the House:

The bill would amend the Michigan Election Law to provide that if an additional judgeship were created for District 54B (East Lansing), the office would have to be filled in a "special odd year general election" held on November 7, 1989.

Candidates for the new judgeship would have to be nominated at a "special odd year primary election" held on August 8, 1989. Anyone who sought to be on the ballot for the primary election would have to submit a nominating petition to the Secretary of State by 4 p.m. on June 20, 1989. The Secretary of State would have to certify the petitions to the Ingham County Board of Election Commissioners and the City of East Lansing. The city would be responsible for the preparation and distribution of ballots for the elections proposed by the bill.

Proposed MCL 168.467p

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a minimal fiscal impact on the Department of State Bureau of Elections of approximately \$400 - \$600. The election dates would parallel regular city elections, so the cost would result from any special meetings of the Board of State Canvassers (\$200/meeting, 2 - 3 meetings estimated).

Fiscal Analyst: G. Cutler

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