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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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REGULAR SESSION OF 2012**

Introduced by Rep. Pettalia

# **ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5075**

AN ACT to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled “An act to revise and consolidate the statutes relating to the organization and jurisdiction of the courts of this state; the powers and duties of the courts, and of the judges and other officers of the courts; the forms and attributes of civil claims and actions; the time within which civil actions and proceedings may be brought in the courts; pleading, evidence, practice, and procedure in civil and criminal actions and proceedings in the courts; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to provide remedies and penalties for the violation of certain provisions of this act; to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with or contravening any of the provisions of this act; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,” by amending sections 528 and 8144 (MCL 600.528 and 600.8144), section 528 as amended by 1988 PA 134 and section 8144 as amended by 2002 PA 92.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Sec. 528. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the twenty-seventh judicial circuit consists of the counties of Newaygo and Oceana and has 2 judges.

(2) Beginning on the earlier of the following dates, the twenty-seventh judicial circuit has 1 judge:

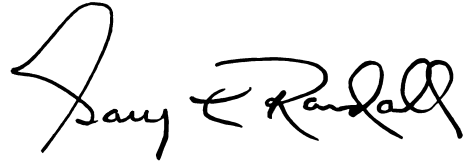
(a) The date on which a vacancy occurs in the office of circuit judge in the twenty-seventh judicial circuit.

(b) The beginning date of the term for which an incumbent circuit judge in the twenty-seventh judicial circuit no longer seeks election or reelection to that office.

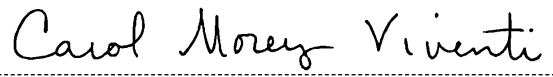
Sec. 8144. (1) Until the date determined under subsection (2), the seventy-ninth district consists of the counties of Lake and Mason, is a district of the first class, and has 1 judge.

(2) Beginning on the date on which a vacancy occurs in the office of district judge in the seventy-ninth district or the beginning date of the term for which the incumbent district judge in the seventy-ninth district no longer seeks election or reelection to that office, whichever is earlier, the seventy-ninth district consists of the counties of Lake and Mason and is a district of the first class. Under section 810a, the probate judge for the county of Lake shall serve as judge of the seventy-ninth district within the county of Lake and the probate judge for the county of Mason shall serve as judge of the seventy-ninth district within the county of Mason.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.



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Clerk of the House of Representatives



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Secretary of the Senate

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Governor