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Senate Bill 654 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Senator Jon Bumstead  
Committee: Judiciary and Public Safety

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend Chapter 5 (Circuit Courts: Organization and Powers) of the Revised Judicature Act to do the following:

- Reorganize the 27<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, which consists of Newaygo and Oceana Counties, to instead consist of Newaygo and Lake Counties.
- Reorganize the 51<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit, which consists of Lake and Mason Counties, to instead consist of Mason and Oceana Counties.
- Specify that the reorganization of the 27<sup>th</sup> and 51<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuits would not require the approval of the county board of commissioners in each county in the circuit.

The bill also would amend Chapter 81 (District Court: Establishment; Districts) of the Act to do the following:

- Reorganize the 78<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, which consists of Newaygo and Oceana Counties, to instead consist of Newaygo and Lake Counties.
- Reorganize the 79<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, which consists of Lake and Mason Counties, to instead consist of Mason and Oceana Counties.
- Specify that the reorganization of the 78<sup>th</sup> and 79<sup>th</sup> Judicial Districts would not require the approval of the governing board of each district control unit in the district.

MCL 600.528 et al.

Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and could have a minimal fiscal impact on Mason, Lake, Oceana, and Newaygo Counties because of circuit and district court restructuring. The bill would not increase or decrease the number of circuit and district judges that currently sit in those counties.

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