HOUSE BILL NO. 5442

February 04, 2020, Introduced by Reps. Elder, Peterson, Tyrone Carter, Haadsma, Liberati, Brixie and Sneller and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1961 PA 236, entitled "Revised judicature act of 1961,"

by amending section 8202 (MCL 600.8202), as amended by 2016 PA 31.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 8202. (1) A district judge shall must receive an annual salary payable by this state as calculated under this section.
- 3 (2) In addition to the salary received from this state under
- 4 subsection (1), a district judge may receive from a district
- 5 funding unit in which the judge regularly holds court an additional
- 6 salary as determined by the governing legislative body of the



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- 1 district funding unit as provided in this section. Supplemental
- 2 salaries paid by a district funding unit shall must be uniform as
- 3 to all judges who regularly hold court in the district funding
- 4 unit. However, the total annual additional salary paid to a
- 5 district court judge by the district funding units in which the
- 6 judge regularly holds court shall must not cause the district
- 7 judge's total annual salary received from state and district
- $oldsymbol{8}$ funding unit funds to exceed the maximum total salary allowed under
- 9 this section.
- 10 (3) Each district judge shall must receive an annual salary
 11 calculated as follows:
- 12 (a) A minimum annual salary payable by the state that is equal
- 13 to the difference between 84%-85% of the salary of a justice of the
- 14 supreme court as of December 31, 2015 2020 and \$45,724.00.
- 15 (b) In addition to the amount calculated under subdivision
- 16 (a), a salary of \$45,724.00 from the district funding unit or units
- 17 as provided in subsection (2). If a district judge receives a total
- 18 additional salary of \$45,724.00 from the district funding unit or
- 19 units and receives neither less than nor more than \$45,724.00,
- 20 including any cost-of-living allowance, the state shall reimburse
- 21 the district funding unit or units the amount that the unit or
- 22 units have paid to the judge.
- (c) In addition to the amounts under subdivisions (a) and (b),
- 24 an amount payable by the state that is equal to the amounts
- 25 calculated under subdivisions (a) and (b) multiplied by the
- 26 compounded aggregate percentage pay increases, excluding lump-sum
- 27 payments, paid to civil service nonexclusively represented
- 28 employees classified as executives and administrators on or after
- 29 January 1, 2016. 2021. The additional salary under this subdivision



- 1 takes effect on the same date as the effective date of the pay
- 2 increase paid to civil service nonexclusively represented employees
- 3 classified as executives and administrators. The additional salary
- 4 under this subdivision shall must not be based on a pay increase
- 5 paid to civil service nonexclusively represented employees
- 6 classified as executives and administrators if the effective date
- 7 of the increase was before January 1, 2016.2021.
- 8 (d) In addition to the amounts under subdivisions (a), (b),
- 9 and (c), an amount payable by the state that is equal to the
- 10 difference between the amounts paid to probate court judges under
- 11 section 821(2)(c) between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2018 and
- 12 paid to district court judges under subdivision (c) between January
- 13 1, 2016 and December 31, 2018.
- 14 (4) A district judge who holds court in a county other than
- 15 the county of the judge's residence shall must be reimbursed for
- 16 his or her actual and necessary expenses incurred in holding court
- 17 upon certification and approval by the state court administrator.
- 18 Upon certification of the judge's expenses, the sum shall must be
- 19 paid out of the state treasury under the accounting laws of this
- 20 state.
- 21 (5) Salaries of a district court judge may be increased but
- 22 shall must not be decreased during a term of office, except to the
- 23 extent of a general salary reduction in all other branches of
- 24 government.
- 25 (6) A judge of the district court is eligible to be a member
- 26 of the Michigan judges retirement system created under the judges
- 27 retirement act of 1992, 1992 PA 234, MCL 38.2101 to 38.2670.
- 28 (7) The district court in a district may hold evening and
- 29 Saturday sessions.



- 1 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 2 after the date it is enacted into law.

