

2015/2016 At the Capitol

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HB 4561 (Lucido) Courts, juries. Courts; juries; juror compensation; increase. Amends sec. 1344 of 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.1344).
POSITION: Support with amendment that would allow local courts to compensate at a higher rate, and support only if adequate funds are available in the Juror Compensation Fund to cover the increased costs.

HJR S (Vaupel) Courts, judges; Constitutional amendments, state. Courts; judges; age limit for election of or appointment to a judicial office; increase to 75 years of age. Amends sec. 19, art. VI of the state constitution.

POSITION: Support

SB 0531 (Jones) Courts, other; Civil procedure, costs and fees. Courts; other; electronic filing system; authorize the state court administrative office to establish. Amends 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.101–600.9947) by adding sec. 176 & ch. 19A.

SB 0532 (Proos) Courts, other. Courts; other; judicial electronic filing fund; establish. Amends 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.101–600.9947) by adding sec. 176.

SB 0533 (Schuitmaker) Courts, other; Civil procedure, costs and fees. Courts; other; electronic access to courts; allow court or court funding unit to charge certain fees. Amends 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.101–600.9947) by adding sec. 1988.

POSITION: Support

SJR J (Bieda) Courts, judges; Constitutional amendments, state. Courts; judges; election of or appointment to a judicial office of person who has reached 70 years of age; remove prohibition. Amends sec. 19, art. VI of the state constitution.

POSITION: Support

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