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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6397**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1402**

**DATE PREPARED:** Nov 19, 1998

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Lake Superior Court.

**FISCAL ANALYST:** Susan Preble

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL**  
                                 **DEDICATED**  
                                 **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill abolishes the superior court of Lake County. It establishes the Lake Superior Court. It provides for the election of the judges of the new court. It also repeals the statute establishing the abolished court and deletes cross-references to the repealed law.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999; January 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The passage of this bill may increase printing expenses involved in preparing ballots for the election of Superior Court judges. The additional costs will depend upon how the districts are drawn and other factors. Election expenses are paid from the county general fund.

Although the bill repeals current law which includes the 7-member Judicial Nominating and Qualification Committees, no savings would be realized because in practice, members do not claim the per diem and expense reimbursements to which they are now entitled.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Lake County

**Information Sources:** Pam Shelhart, Lake County Election Board, (219) 755-3467.