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**KASICH SIGNS HOUSE BILL 29 – MODIFIES LAWS IMPACTING ELECTION
OF JUDGES TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT**

COLUMBUS – Gov. John R. Kasich signed House Bill 29 (Mecklenborg), legislation that aligns the process by which Hamilton County Municipal Court judges sign and file nominating petitions with Ohio Election Law. Prior to the passage of H.B. 29, these municipal court judges filed nominating petitions in the same manner as Cincinnati City Council members.

H.B. 29 also codifies a remedial order already in effect by specifying that judges of the Hamilton County Municipal Court be elected by voters of the judicial district of the county, rather than the territory of the court. Additionally, this legislation increases the number of signatures required on a nominating petition for the election to the Hamilton County Municipal Court from 50 to 100.

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