

**HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 374**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending sections 658 and 661 (MCL 168.658 and 168.661), as
amended by 2023 PA 88.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 658. If a city, ward, township, or village is divided
2 into 2 or more election precincts, pursuant to law, and it appears
3 from an examination of the precinct registration records that there
4 are not more than ~~5,000~~**4,999** active registered electors in the
5 city, ward, township, or village, the election commission, or other
6 officials charged with the performance of the duty by the charter
7 of a city or village, by resolution, may abolish the division or
8 divisions and after that time the city, ward, township, or village



1 constitutes a single election precinct as if a division had not
2 been made. A consolidation must not be made later than the 120 days
3 before a primary or election.

4 Sec. 661. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), city and
5 township election commissions shall divide precincts according to
6 law, not later than 210 days before the primary next preceding the
7 general November election, and shall immediately notify the county
8 clerk of the number of registered electors in each precinct in the
9 city or township. The county clerk shall notify the secretary of
10 state not later than 200 days before the primary of a precinct in
11 the clerk's county that has not been divided according to law, and
12 the secretary of state shall proceed to make divisions as are
13 necessary at the expense of the city or township involved, not
14 later than 180 days before the primary next preceding the general
15 November election. A division of precincts must be made effective
16 not later than 180 days before the primary election next preceding
17 the general November election.

18 (2) In the second year following each federal decennial
19 census, precincts must be divided under this subsection. City and
20 township election commissions shall divide precincts not later than
21 120 days before the primary election next preceding the general
22 November election in order that a precinct, as far as is practical,
23 is not split between districts and does not exceed ~~5,000~~ **4,999**
24 registered electors, and shall immediately notify the county clerk
25 of the number of registered electors in each precinct in each city
26 or township. The county clerk shall notify the secretary of state
27 not later than 110 days before the primary of any precincts in the
28 county that have not been divided, and the secretary of state shall
29 proceed to make the divisions as are necessary, at the expense of



1 the city or township involved, not later than 90 days before the
2 primary election next preceding the general November election. The
3 division of precincts must be made effective not later than 90 days
4 before the primary election. The secretary of state may authorize,
5 on written request by a city or township election commission, a
6 later division of a precinct that contains portions of more than 1
7 elective district. All precinct divisions must be completed not
8 later than 90 days before the primary election next preceding the
9 general November election. In determining the number of registered
10 voters for a precinct under this subsection, a city or township
11 election commission or the secretary of state, as applicable, must
12 use only the active registered electors for that city or township.

