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Senate Bill 897

Sponsor: Senator Harmon Cropsey

Committee: Local Government and Veterans

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 897 as introduced 5-25-88:

The bill would amend Public Act 164 of 1887, which authorizes cities, incorporated villages, and townships to establish and maintain, or contract for the use of, free public libraries, to require a candidate for city, village, or township library director to file nonpartisan nominating petitions bearing the number of signatures of registered and qualified electors of that city, village, or township equal to at least 1% of the total number of votes cast for the chief elected officer of that city, village, or township in the last election in which the officer was elected. The bill specifies that the Michigan Election Law would govern the circulation and filing of nonpartisan nominating petitions and the conduct of nonpartisan elections under the bill.

The bill would delete current requirements that a candidate for township library director file nominating petitions bearing signatures of registered and qualified electors amounting to at least 1% and not more than 4% of the total number of votes cast for township supervisor in the last election in which a supervisor was elected.

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Legislative Analyst: L. Arasim

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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