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LOCAL ENFORCEMENT OF OBSCENITY LAW

House Bill 4644
Sponsor: Rep. Paul Wartner

House Bill 4645
Sponsor: Rep. Ronald G. Niederstadt

House Bill 4646
Sponsor: Rep. Phillip E. Hoffman

House Bill 4647
Sponsor: Rep. Michael J. Griffin

House Bill 4648
Sponsor: Rep. Kirk Profit

House Bill 4649
Sponsor: Rep. Nelson W. Saunders

Committee: Towns and Counties

Complete to 4-20-89

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 4644-4649 AS INTRODUCED 4-13-89

Present state law governing the possession or dissemination of obscene materials (Public Act 434 of 1984) prohibits municipalities, townships, villages, and cities from enacting or enforcing any ordinance which would regulate obscene materials. The bills would amend various relevant existing laws governing local units of government that, in conjunction with House Bill 4642 (which would, among other things, amend the relevant section of the state obscenity law), would authorize townships, cities, and villages to enact and enforce the state obscenity law as a local ordinance.

House Bills 4644 and 4649 would amend the acts governing the incorporation of cities, Public Act 215 of 1895 (MCL 89.2), and Public Act 279 of 1909 (MCL 117.4i), respectively.

House Bills 4645 and 4646 would amend the relevant acts governing townships, Public Act 246 of 1945 (MCL 41.183), and Public Act 359 of 1947 (MCL 42.21), respectively.

House Bills 4647 and 4648 would amend the relevant acts governing villages, Public Act 3 of 1895 (MCL 66.2), and Public Act 278 of 1909 (MCL 78.24), respectively.

House Bills 4644-4649 (4-20-89)