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PRINT NAMES ON PETITIONS

House Bill 4374

Sponsor: Rep. Robert Brackenridge

Committee: Local Government

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4374 AS INTRODUCED 2-9-95

The bill would amend the School Code to require that nominating petitions for school board candidates provide a space for the circulators and those signing the petitions to print their names (in addition to a space for signatures) in the manner prescribed in the Michigan Election Law. The bill specifies that the failure of a circulator or school voter who signed the petition to print his or her name in the space provided would not affect the validity of the signatures. A printed name located in the appropriate place would not constitute a signature. The circulator of a petition would be required to sign and date the certificate of circulator before the petition was filed. A circulator could not obtain signatures after signing and dating the certificate. Signatures obtained after the date the circulator signed the certificate or on a petition not signed and dated by a circulator could not be counted. The bill also would require the nominating petition to be 8-1/2 inches by 14 inches rather than 8-1/2 by 13 inches. (Similar provisions were placed in the Michigan Election Law for various other kinds of petitions by Public Act 137 of 1993.)

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