



HOUSE BILL No. 5041

September 13, 1995, Introduced by Rep. Perricone and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to amend section 3 of Act No. 156 of the Public Acts of 1851, entitled as amended

"An act to define the powers and duties of the county boards of commissioners of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local, administrative and legislative powers; and to prescribe penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act,"

being section 46.3 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Act No. 156 of the Public Acts of
2 1851, being section 46.3 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 3. (1) A majority of the members of the county board
5 of commissioners of a county shall constitute a quorum for the
6 transaction of the ordinary business of the county. —, and
7 ~~questions which~~

1 (2) QUESTIONS THAT arise at ~~its~~ meetings OF THE COUNTY
2 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS shall be determined by the votes of a
3 majority of the members present. ~~except upon~~ HOWEVER, the
4 final passage or adoption of a measure or resolution ~~or the~~
5 allowance of a claim against the county, ~~in which case~~ SHALL BE
6 DETERMINED BY a majority of the members elected and serving.
7 ~~shall be necessary.~~ THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MAY
8 REQUIRE IN ITS BYLAWS THAT THE VOTES OF 2/3 OF THE MEMBERS
9 PRESENT ARE REQUIRED ON FINAL PASSAGE OR ADOPTION OF A NONAGENDA
10 ITEM. When taking the yeas and nays on a question to be voted
11 upon, an electrical roll call system may be used.

12 (3) The county board of commissioners at its first meeting
13 in each year shall choose 1 member as chairperson and 1 member as
14 vice-chairperson. The chairperson shall preside at a meeting of
15 the board during the year, ~~if present,~~ but if the chairperson
16 is absent from a meeting, the vice-chairperson shall preside. A
17 chairperson may administer an oath to a person concerning a
18 matter submitted to the board or connected with the discharge of
19 its duties, may issue subpoenas for witnesses, and may compel the
20 attendance of a witness in the same manner as a court of law.
21 The board may designate 1 member to affix his or her signature to
22 contracts, bonds, and other documents requiring the signature of
23 the chairperson, if the chairperson is unable to so do because of
24 illness or other exigency which, in the opinion of the board,
25 prevents the chairperson from performing the functions of the
26 office.

1 (4) A member of the board, while a member of the board,
2 ~~shall not be eligible to~~ IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR election to any
3 other county office or position, the election of which is within
4 the jurisdiction of the county board of commissioners.