

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4242**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending section 558 (MCL 168.558), as amended by 1997 PA
137.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 558. (1) A candidate filing nominating petitions or a
2 filing fee for a county, state, national, city, township, vil-
3 lage, or school district office in any election, at the time of
4 filing the nominating petitions or filing fee, shall file with
5 the officer with whom the petitions or fee is filed 2 copies of
6 an affidavit. The affidavit shall contain the candidate's name;
7 address; ward and precinct where registered, if qualified to vote
8 at that election; a statement that the candidate is a citizen of
9 the United States; number of years of residence in the state and
10 county; other information that may be required to satisfy the

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1 officer as to the identity of the candidate; A STATEMENT THAT, AS
2 OF THE DATE OF THE AFFIDAVIT, ALL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS AND ALL
3 FINES REQUIRED OF THAT INDIVIDUAL OR ANY CANDIDATE COMMITTEE
4 ORGANIZED TO SUPPORT THAT INDIVIDUAL'S ELECTION UNDER THE
5 MICHIGAN CAMPAIGN FINANCE ACT, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.201 TO
6 169.282, HAS BEEN FILED OR PAID; and a statement that the candi-
7 date acknowledges that making a false statement in the affidavit
8 is perjury, punishable by a fine up to \$1,000.00 or imprisonment
9 for up to 5 years, or both. If a candidate files the affidavit
10 with an officer other than the county clerk or secretary of
11 state, the officer shall immediately forward to the county clerk
12 1 copy of the affidavit by first class mail. The county clerk
13 shall immediately forward 1 copy of the affidavit for state and
14 national candidates to the secretary of state by first class
15 mail. An officer shall not certify to the board of election com-
16 missioners the name of a candidate who fails to comply with this
17 section.

18 (2) If petitions or filing fees are filed by or in behalf of
19 a candidate for more than 1 office, either national, state,
20 county, city, village, township, or school district, the terms of
21 which run concurrently or overlap, the candidate so filing, or in
22 behalf of whom petitions or fees were so filed, shall select the
23 1 office to which his or her candidacy is restricted within 3
24 days after the last day for the filing of petitions or filing
25 fees unless the petitions or filing fees are filed for 2 offices
26 that are combined or for offices that are not incompatible.
27 Failure to make the selection disqualifies a candidate with

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1 respect to any office for which petitions or fees were so filed
2 and the name of the candidate shall not be printed upon the
3 ballot for those offices. A vote cast for that candidate at the
4 primary or general election ensuing shall not be counted and is
5 void.