

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4754**

(As amended May 29, 2002)

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending section 482 (MCL 168.482), as amended by 1998
PA 142.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 482. (1) ~~Each~~ EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS
2 SUBSECTION, EACH petition SHEET under this section shall be 8-1/2
3 inches by 14 inches in size, IN HORIZONTAL FORMAT, AND SHALL CON-
4 TAIN NO FEWER THAN 7 SIGNATURE LINES. AN 8-1/2 INCHES BY 11
5 INCHES PETITION SHEET [, IN EITHER HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL FORMAT,] MAY BE
6 USED IF IT OTHERWISE COMPLIES WITH
7 THIS SECTION AND IF BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
8 (A) THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSAL IS ABLE TO BE PRINTED ON 1
9 OR BOTH SIDES OF AN 8-1/2 INCHES BY 11 INCHES PETITION SHEET.
10 (B) EACH PETITION SHEET THAT IS SUBMITTED IS 8-1/2 INCHES BY
11 11 INCHES IN SIZE.

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(2) If the ~~measure~~ PROPOSAL to be submitted ~~proposes~~ IS a constitutional amendment, initiation of legislation, or referendum of legislation, the heading of each part of the petition shall be prepared in the following form and printed in capital letters in 14-point boldfaced type:

INITIATIVE PETITION

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

OR

INITIATION OF LEGISLATION

OR

REFERENDUM OF LEGISLATION

PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

(3) The full text of the ~~amendment so proposed~~ PROPOSAL shall follow and be printed in 8-point type. If the proposal would alter or abrogate an existing provision of the constitution, the petition shall so state and the provisions to be altered or abrogated shall be inserted, preceded by the words:

"Provisions of existing constitution altered or abrogated by the proposal if adopted."

(4) The following statement shall appear beneath the petition heading:

"We, the undersigned qualified and registered electors, residents in the city township (strike 1) of in the county of, state of Michigan, respectively petition for (amendment to

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1 constitution) (initiation of legislation) (referendum of
2 legislation) (other appropriate description)."

3 (5) The following warning shall be printed in 12-point type
4 immediately above the place for signatures, on each part of the
5 petition:

6 WARNING

7 A person who knowingly signs this petition more than once,
8 signs a name other than his or her own, signs when not a quali-
9 fied and registered elector, or sets opposite his or her signa-
10 ture on a petition, a date other than the actual date the signa-
11 ture was affixed, is violating the provisions of the Michigan
12 election law.

13 (6) The remainder of the petition form shall be as provided
14 following the warning to electors signing the petition in section
15 544c(1). In addition, the petition shall comply with the
16 requirements of section 544c(2).