Fiscal Analysis

Revise When Recall Petitions Can Be Filed



Bill/Sponsor HOUSE BILL 4638 (H-2), Rep. John J. Gleason

House Committee Local Government and Urban Policy

Analysis Summary

House Bill 4638 would amend the Michigan Election Law to prohibit the recall of an elective officer, whose term of office is two years or less, until the officer has actually performed the duties of the office for a period of six months. If an officer's term of office is two years or less, a recall petition could not be filed during the last six months of the officer's term. The bill would prohibit the recall of an elective officer, whose term of office is more than two years, until the officer has actually performed the duties of the office for a period of one year. If an officer's term of office is more than two years, a recall petition could not be filed during the last one year of the officer's term.

Also, the bill specifies that notwithstanding the recall prohibitions, if, on the effective date of the bill, language to recall an officer has been submitted and approved, then a recall petition could be filed, if the officer has actually performed the duties of the office for a period of six months and it is not within the last six months of the term of office.

Fiscal Impact

There would be no fiscal impact to the state or to local units of government.

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