

Legislative Analysis



CITY PRIMARY ELECTION IN AUGUST

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House Bill 6247

Sponsor: Rep. Kathy Angerer

House Bill 6248

Sponsor: Rep. Marie Donigan

Committee: Ethics and Elections

Complete to 6-28-10

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 6247 - 6248 AS INTRODUCED 6-9-10

The bills would require that city primary elections previously set in September of odd-numbered years be set at the odd year primary election in August.

Specifically, House Bill 6248 would amend the Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.642a) to specify that after December 31, 2010, a city that adopted a resolution so that its regular election primary was held at the September election would be required to hold its regular election primary at the odd year primary election. The term "odd year primary election" means the election held on the August regular election date in an odd numbered year."

House Bill 6247 would make a complementary amendment. It would amend the Michigan Election Law (MCL 168.4) to eliminate the definition of "September primary election." However, the term "September election" would be retained, and it would be defined to mean the election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of September in the odd year for the election of village offices.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bills would have no fiscal impact on state or local government.

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