

HOUSE BILL No. 5560

October 28, 2009, Introduced by Rep. Slavens and referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending section 644e (MCL 168.644e), as amended by 2003 PA 302.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 644e. Except as provided in section 642, an officer
2 required to be elected at the odd year general election shall be
3 nominated at the odd year primary election. ~~Subject to section 382,~~
4 ~~if~~ **IF** a charter provides for nomination by caucus or by filing a
5 petition or affidavit directly for the general election, ~~or~~
6 ~~provides for the election at the primary of a candidate who~~
7 ~~receives more than 50% of the votes cast for that office, the~~
8 ~~governing body by ordinance may provide for a caucus date, filing~~
9 ~~date, or other provisions to the extent necessary to be consistent~~

1 ~~with the odd year general election requirement of this act and the~~
2 ~~intent of the charter provisions~~ THE CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE OR
3 CERTIFICATION DEADLINE SHALL BE 4 P.M. ON THE TWELFTH TUESDAY
4 BEFORE THE ODD YEAR GENERAL ELECTION. IF A CHARTER PROVIDES FOR THE
5 ELECTION AT THE PRIMARY OF A CANDIDATE WHO RECEIVES MORE THAN 50%
6 OF THE VOTES CAST FOR THAT OFFICE, THE CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE OR
7 CERTIFICATION DEADLINE SHALL BE 4 P.M. ON THE TWELFTH TUESDAY
8 BEFORE THE PRIMARY.