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## **SENATE BILL No. 167**

February 7, 2013, Introduced by Senator MEEKHOF and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

A bill to amend 1909 PA 278, entitled
"The home rule village act,"

(MCL 78.1 to 78.28) by amending the title, as amended by 1998 PA

148, and by adding sections 27a, 27b, 27c, 27d, 27e, 27f, 27g, 27h,

27i, 27j, 27k, 27l, 27m, and 27n.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

An act to provide for the incorporation of villages and for revising and amending their charters; to provide for the levy and collection of taxes, borrowing of money, and issuance of bonds and other evidences of indebtedness; to validate bonds issued and obligations previously incurred; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISINCORPORATION OF VILLAGES; and to prescribe penalties and

SEC. 27A. (1) TO INITIATE THE DISINCORPORATION OF A VILLAGE, A

- 1 PETITION SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 15% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF
- 2 THE VILLAGE REQUESTING A VOTE ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE
- 3 VILLAGE SHALL DISINCORPORATE SHALL BE FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP
- 4 CLERK.
- 5 (2) A PETITION SHALL DESIGNATE THE TOWNSHIP OR TOWNSHIPS INTO
- 6 WHICH THE VILLAGE IS PROPOSED TO BE DISINCORPORATED. A VILLAGE
- 7 SHALL BE DISINCORPORATED INTO THE TOWNSHIP OR TOWNSHIPS IN WHICH IT
- 8 IS LOCATED, ALONG EXISTING TOWNSHIP BOUNDARIES.
- 9 (3) AFTER THE PETITION IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK, A
- 10 PETITION AFFECTING THE VILLAGE SHALL NOT BE FILED WITH THE STATE
- 11 BOUNDARY COMMISSION AND A PETITION REQUESTING DISINCORPORATION OF
- 12 THE VILLAGE INTO A DIFFERENT TOWNSHIP SHALL NOT BE FILED UNDER THIS
- 13 ACT UNTIL THE DISINCORPORATION PROCESS PROVIDED FOR BY THIS ACT HAS
- 14 CONCLUDED.
- 15 (4) BY NOT MORE THAN 14 DAYS AFTER THE PETITION IS FILED, THE
- 16 TOWNSHIP CLERK SHALL VERIFY THE SIGNATURES AND DETERMINE THE
- 17 SUFFICIENCY OF THE PETITION. UNLESS THE COUNCIL PROCEEDS UNDER
- 18 SECTIONS 27E TO 27N, IF THE CLERK DETERMINES THAT THE PETITION IS
- 19 SUFFICIENT, THE QUESTION OF THE DISINCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE
- 20 SHALL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT AT THE NEXT GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION
- 21 TO BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE, SUBJECT TO THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW,
- 22 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.1 TO 168.992. THE TOWNSHIP CLERK SHALL PREPARE
- 23 THE BALLOT LANGUAGE, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:
- 24 "SHALL INCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF BE VACATED?
- 25 () YES
- 26 () NO".
- 27 (5) THE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE

- 1 GREATEST NUMBER OF ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE RESIDE SHALL PROVIDE
- 2 BALLOTS FOR THE ELECTION.
- 3 (6) THE CLERK AND ELECTION OFFICIALS OF EACH TOWNSHIP INTO
- 4 WHICH THE VILLAGE IS PROPOSED TO BE DISINCORPORATED SHALL CONDUCT
- 5 THE ELECTION ON THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION IN THE VILLAGE AND
- 6 THE PORTIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE,
- 7 RESPECTIVELY.
- 8 (7) IF THE ELECTION ON THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION IS TO BE
- 9 HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH A GENERAL ELECTION OR A STATE PRIMARY
- 10 ELECTION IMMEDIATELY BEFORE A GENERAL ELECTION, THE NOTICES OF
- 11 CLOSE OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTION SHALL BE PUBLISHED AS PROVIDED
- 12 FOR BY THE STATE ELECTION LAWS. OTHERWISE, THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE
- 13 COUNTY IN WHICH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE
- 14 RESIDE SHALL PUBLISH THE NOTICES OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION AND
- 15 ELECTION. THE NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION SHALL INCLUDE THE
- 16 BALLOT LANGUAGE OF THE PROPOSAL.
- 17 (8) THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION ON THE PROPOSED
- 18 DISINCORPORATION SHALL BE CANVASSED BY THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS OF
- 19 THE VILLAGE AND THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS OF EACH TOWNSHIP IN WHICH
- 20 THE VILLAGE IS LOCATED.
- 21 (9) THE DISINCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE SHALL TAKE PLACE UNDER
- 22 THIS SECTION ONLY IF 2/3 OF THE ELECTORS VOTING ON THE QUESTION
- 23 VOTE "YES". IF THE DISINCORPORATION IS APPROVED, THE COUNCIL SHALL
- 24 IMMEDIATELY CAUSE A TRANSCRIPT OF ALL THE PROCEEDINGS IN THE CASE
- 25 TO BE CERTIFIED TO BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 26 (A) THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE VILLAGE OR THE
- 27 PRINCIPAL PART OF THE VILLAGE IS LOCATED.

- 1 (B) THE SECRETARY OF STATE.
- 2 SEC. 27B. UPON RECEIVING THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS IN
- 3 SUBMITTING TO A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS THE QUESTION OF VACATING THE
- 4 INCORPORATION OF ANY VILLAGE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 27A, THE COUNTY
- 5 CLERK SHALL SUBMIT THE TRANSCRIPT TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 6 COMMISSIONERS, WHICH SHALL, AT ITS NEXT REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING,
- 7 PASS A RESOLUTION VACATING THE INCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE.
- 8 SEC. 27C. (1) UPON THE VACATION OF THE INCORPORATION OF ANY
- 9 VILLAGE UNDER SECTIONS 27A AND 27B, THE OFFICERS OF THE VILLAGE
- 10 SHALL IMMEDIATELY DEPOSIT ALL BOOKS, PAPERS, RECORDS, AND FILES
- 11 RELATING TO THE ORGANIZATION OF OR BELONGING TO THE VILLAGE THAT
- 12 ARE IN THEIR CUSTODY AS VILLAGE OFFICERS WITH THE COUNTY CLERK OF
- 13 THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE VILLAGE OR THE PRINCIPAL PART OF THE
- 14 VILLAGE IS LOCATED FOR SAFE KEEPING AND REFERENCE. THE INDEBTEDNESS
- 15 OF THE VACATED VILLAGE, WHETHER BONDED OR OTHERWISE, SHALL BE
- 16 ASSESSED, LEVIED, AND COLLECTED UPON THE TERRITORY EMBRACED WITHIN
- 17 THE BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE VACATION.
- 18 THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OR TOWNSHIPS IN WHICH THE
- 19 TERRITORY FORMERLY EMBRACED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE VACATED
- 20 VILLAGE SHALL LEVY UPON THE ASSESSMENT ROLL OR ROLLS OF THE
- 21 TOWNSHIP UPON THE PROPERTY FORMERLY EMBRACED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF
- 22 THE VILLAGE, THE INDEBTEDNESS OF THE VILLAGE, OR SUCH PORTION OF
- 23 THE VILLAGE THAT IS APPORTIONED TO THE PART OF THE TERRITORY
- 24 FORMERLY CONSTITUTING THE VILLAGE THAT LIES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP AS
- 25 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2). THIS LEVY SHALL BE MADE NOT MORE THAN 1
- 26 YEAR AFTER THE DATE THAT THE VILLAGE INCORPORATION IS VACATED.
- 27 HOWEVER, IF THE INDEBTEDNESS FALLS DUE AT A SPECIFIED TIME, AN

- 1 ASSESSMENT SHALL BE MADE THAT WILL SATISFY THE INDEBTEDNESS WHEN IT
- 2 FALLS DUE.
- 3 (2) THE TAXES ASSESSED AND LEVIED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL
- 4 BE COLLECTED THE SAME AS OTHER TAXES, AND SHALL BE PLACED IN A
- 5 SEPARATE FUND AND APPLIED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE INDEBTEDNESS. THE
- 6 MANNER OF THE PAYMENT OF THE INDEBTEDNESS SHALL BE FIXED BY
- 7 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OR BOARDS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
- 8 (1).
- 9 SEC. 27D. (1) IF THE TERRITORY FORMERLY EMBRACED WITHIN A
- 10 VILLAGE VACATED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 27A AND 27B CONSISTS OF
- 11 TERRITORY OF 2 OR MORE TOWNSHIPS IN THE SAME COUNTY, THE TOWNSHIP
- 12 BOARDS SHALL APPORTION, AMONG THEIR TOWNSHIPS, THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 13 INDEBTEDNESS OF THE VACATED VILLAGE THAT EACH TOWNSHIP SHALL BEAR.
- 14 (2) IF A VILLAGE VACATED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 27A AND 27B WAS
- 15 COMPRISED OF TERRITORY FROM 2 DIFFERENT COUNTIES, THE COUNTY BOARDS
- 16 OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE 2 COUNTIES SHALL DETERMINE WHAT PORTION OF
- 17 THE INDEBTEDNESS OF THE VACATED VILLAGE EACH COUNTY SHALL BEAR,
- 18 USING AS A BASIS THE LAST PRECEDING ASSESSMENT ROLL OF THE VACATED
- 19 VILLAGE BEFORE ITS VACATION. THE INDEBTEDNESS, WHEN SO APPORTIONED,
- 20 SHALL BE ASSESSED, LEVIED, AND COLLECTED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION
- 21 27C.
- 22 SEC. 27E. NOT LATER THAN THE NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
- 23 AFTER THE CLERK VERIFIES THE PETITION SIGNATURES AND DETERMINES THE
- 24 SUFFICIENCY OF THE PETITION UNDER SECTION 27A, THE COUNCIL MAY BY
- 25 RESOLUTION ELECT TO PROCEED UNDER THIS SECTION AND SECTIONS 27F TO
- 26 27N.
- 27 SEC. 27F. (1) A DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SHALL BE COMPOSED

- 1 OF 3 MEMBERS REPRESENTING EACH TOWNSHIP INTO WHICH THE VILLAGE IS
- 2 PROPOSED TO BE DISINCORPORATED AND A NUMBER OF MEMBERS REPRESENTING
- 3 THE VILLAGE EQUAL TO THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS REPRESENTING TOWNSHIPS.
- 4 (2) THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, WITH APPROVAL OF THE VILLAGE
- 5 COUNCIL, SHALL APPOINT THE MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE VILLAGE. THE
- 6 TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR OF A TOWNSHIP, WITH APPROVAL OF THE TOWNSHIP
- 7 BOARD, SHALL APPOINT THE MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE TOWNSHIP.
- 8 (3) DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION MEMBERS MAY BE VILLAGE OR
- 9 TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS.
- 10 SEC. 27G. (1) AN INDIVIDUAL APPOINTED TO THE DISINCORPORATION
- 11 COMMISSION SHALL TAKE THE CONSTITUTIONAL OATH OF OFFICE.
- 12 (2) A VACANCY IN THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION IS CREATED IN
- 13 THE MANNER PROVIDED IN SECTION 3 OF 1846 RS 15, MCL 201.3.
- 14 (3) IF A MEMBER OF A DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION VACATES
- 15 OFFICE, THE VACANCY SHALL BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT IN THE SAME
- 16 MANNER AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 27F.
- 17 SEC. 27H. (1) THE PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE SHALL APPOINT 1 OF
- 18 THE VILLAGE MEMBERS AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE DISINCORPORATION
- 19 COMMISSION.
- 20 (2) THE VILLAGE CLERK SHALL CALL THE FIRST MEETING OF THE
- 21 DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION AND SHALL SERVE AS SECRETARY OF THE
- 22 COMMISSION AND KEEP ITS MINUTES AND RECORDS.
- 23 (3) AT ITS FIRST MEETING, THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION
- 24 SHALL ELECT OTHER OFFICERS IT CONSIDERS ADVISABLE.
- 25 (4) THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT BYLAWS TO
- 26 GOVERN THE CONDUCT OF ITS BUSINESS.
- 27 (5) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DISINCORPORATION

- 1 COMMISSION CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS AT A
- 2 MEETING OF THE COMMISSION. A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED
- 3 FOR OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION.
- 4 (6) THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SHALL CONDUCT ITS BUSINESS
- 5 AT A PUBLIC MEETING HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT,
- 6 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 TO 15.275.
- 7 (7) A WRITING PREPARED, OWNED, USED, IN POSSESSION OF, OR
- 8 RETAINED BY THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION IN THE PERFORMANCE OF
- 9 AN OFFICIAL FUNCTION IS SUBJECT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT,
- 10 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246.
- 11 SEC. 27I. (1) THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION MAY CONTRACT FOR
- 12 CONSULTANTS AND ADVISORS AS MAY BE REASONABLY NECESSARY IN ITS
- 13 DISCRETION TO CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.
- 14 (2) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL APPROPRIATE FOR THE
- 15 DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE COMMISSION TO
- 16 REASONABLY CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.
- 17 (3) THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION MAY ACCEPT ANY PRIVATE OR
- 18 PUBLIC FUNDING.
- 19 SEC. 27J. (1) THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION MAY ADOPT A
- 20 DISINCORPORATION PLAN FOR THE VILLAGE. ADOPTION OF A
- 21 DISINCORPORATION PLAN REQUIRES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF 2/3 OF THE
- 22 MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE VILLAGE AND 2 OF THE MEMBERS REPRESENTING
- 23 EACH TOWNSHIP OF THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION.
- 24 (2) THE DISINCORPORATION PLAN SHALL PROVIDE AN ORDERLY PROCESS
- 25 FOR DISINCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE. THE DISINCORPORATION PLAN
- 26 SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:
- 27 (A) AN INTERIM LAND USE PLAN AND INTERIM ZONING OF THE

- 1 PROPERTY WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE.
- 2 (B) PROVISION FOR PAYMENT OF ALL INDEBTEDNESS OF THE VILLAGE,
- 3 INCLUDING ANY OUTSTANDING JUDGMENTS, OR JUDGMENTS THAT MAY RESULT
- 4 FROM PENDING OR FUTURE LITIGATION TO WHICH THE VILLAGE MAY BECOME A
- 5 PARTY.
- 6 (C) DISPOSITION OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OTHER
- 7 ASSETS, INCLUDING FUNDS, DEPOSITS, AND INVESTMENTS.
- 8 (D) DISPOSITION OF ALL PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE VILLAGE IN
- 9 ACCORDANCE WITH A RECORDS RETENTION PLAN AS PROVIDED BY LAW,
- 10 INCLUDING FILES, BOOKS, AND PAPERS.
- 11 (E) TRANSFER OR TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEES, AND CONTRACTS OF
- 12 EMPLOYMENT, AND DISPOSITION OF EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, INCLUDING
- 13 RETIREMENT, HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION,
- 14 ACCRUED SICK AND VACATION LEAVE, AND ANY OTHER BENEFITS.
- 15 (F) JURISDICTION OVER STREETS, ROADS, BRIDGES, ALLEYS,
- 16 SIDEWALKS, AND ANY PUBLIC EASEMENTS IN THE VILLAGE, AND FOR THEIR
- 17 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR, INCLUDING STREET LIGHTS AND SNOW REMOVAL.
- 18 (G) JURISDICTION OVER TRAFFIC CONTROL AND TRAFFIC CONTROL
- 19 DEVICES.
- 20 (H) PROVISION FOR ANY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS OR SPECIAL
- 21 ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS WITHIN THE VILLAGE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED
- 22 TO, STREET MAINTENANCE, STREET SWEEPING, AND PRIVATE ROAD SERVICE.
- 23 (I) THE TRANSFER OR TERMINATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC
- 24 SERVICES OF THE VILLAGE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WATER,
- 25 SEWER, DRAINAGE, CABLE TELEVISION, STREET LIGHTING, ELECTRIC
- 26 SERVICE, AND GARBAGE AND REFUSE SERVICE.
- 27 (J) REGULATION OR ORDERLY TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY

- 1 SPECIAL DISTRICTS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ESTABLISHED
- 2 HISTORIC DISTRICTS, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS, TAX INCREMENT
- 3 FINANCING DISTRICTS, AND LAND SUBJECT TO ANY LAND TRANSFER
- 4 AGREEMENTS.
- 5 (K) PROVISION FOR ANY AUTHORITIES THAT THE VILLAGE HAS
- 6 ESTABLISHED OR IN WHICH THE VILLAGE IS A MEMBER.
- 7 (1) FINDINGS AS TO THE FISCAL IMPACT OF DISSOLUTION UPON THE
- 8 TOWNSHIP OR TOWNSHIPS INTO WHICH THE VILLAGE IS PROPOSED TO BE
- 9 DISINCORPORATED AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE, INCLUDING THE
- 10 ESTIMATED REVENUES GAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP AND LOSSES TO EACH
- 11 MUNICIPALITY FROM PROPERTY TAXES AND FROM STATE REVENUE SHARING AND
- 12 FROM GAS AND WEIGHT TAX REVENUES DISTRIBUTED BY THIS STATE TO THE
- 13 VILLAGE AND ANY TOWNSHIP INTO WHICH THE VILLAGE IS PROPOSED TO BE
- 14 DISINCORPORATED.
- 15 (M) A PROCESS FOR THE RESOLUTION OF ANY DISPUTE THAT MAY ARISE
- 16 OVER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN, IF ADOPTED, AND THE PROCEDURE
- 17 THAT A PARTY TO ANY DISPUTE MAY UTILIZE FOR THIS PROCESS.
- 18 (3) THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION MAY MAKE FINDINGS AS TO
- 19 THE EFFECT OF DISINCORPORATION UPON COLLATERAL MATTERS INCLUDING,
- 20 BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROPERTY VALUES, PUBLIC SERVICE LEVELS AND
- 21 COSTS, AND LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES.
- 22 SEC. 27K. A DISINCORPORATION PLAN ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 27J
- 23 SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL AND TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EACH
- 24 AFFECTED TOWNSHIP. THE COUNCIL AND TOWNSHIP BOARD OR BOARDS MAY
- 25 RATIFY THE DISINCORPORATION PLAN. IF THE COUNCIL AND THE TOWNSHIP
- 26 BOARD OF EACH AFFECTED TOWNSHIP RATIFY THE PLAN, THE QUESTION OF
- 27 DISINCORPORATION PURSUANT TO THE PLAN SHALL BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT

- 1 PURSUANT TO SECTION 271. IF THE COUNCIL OR THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
- 2 EACH AFFECTED TOWNSHIP FAILS TO RATIFY THE DISINCORPORATION PLAN,
- 3 THE QUESTION OF DISINCORPORATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE
- 4 ELECTORATE AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 27A NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR AFTER
- 5 THE DATE THE DISINCORPORATION PETITION WAS FILED UNDER SECTION 27A.
- 6 SEC. 271. (1) IF THE DISINCORPORATION PLAN IS APPROVED UNDER
- 7 SECTION 27K, THE CLERK OF THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SHALL
- 8 PREPARE AND CERTIFY TO THE COUNTY CLERK OF EACH COUNTY WHERE THE
- 9 VILLAGE IS LOCATED BALLOT LANGUAGE DESCRIBING THE PROPOSED
- 10 DISINCORPORATION AND THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING IN SUBSTANTIALLY
- 11 THE FOLLOWING FORM:
- 12 "SHALL THE VILLAGE OF \_\_\_\_\_ BE DISINCORPORATED
- 13 PURSUANT TO THE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION?
- 14 () YES
- 15 () NO".
- 16 (2) THE CLERK OF THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SHALL CERTIFY
- 17 THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION FOR INCLUSION ON THE BALLOT AT THE
- 18 NEXT GENERAL ELECTION, THE STATE PRIMARY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE
- 19 GENERAL ELECTION, OR A SPECIAL ELECTION NOT OCCURRING WITHIN 45
- 20 DAYS OF A STATE PRIMARY OR A GENERAL ELECTION, AS SPECIFIED BY THE
- 21 CLERK OF THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION. HOWEVER, THE CLERK OF THE
- 22 DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION SHALL NOT CERTIFY THE PROPOSED
- 23 DISINCORPORATION FOR INCLUSION ON THE BALLOT AT EITHER OF THE
- 24 FOLLOWING:
- 25 (A) AN ELECTION TO BE HELD LESS THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF
- 26 CERTIFICATION.
- 27 (B) AN ELECTION TO BE HELD MORE THAN 1 YEAR AFTER THE TOWNSHIP

- 1 CLERK VERIFIES THE PETITION SIGNATURES AND DETERMINES THAT THE
- 2 PETITION IS SUFFICIENT UNDER SECTION 27A.
- 3 (3) IF A SPECIAL ELECTION IS REQUESTED BY THE CLERK OF THE
- 4 DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION, THE COUNTY CLERK OF THE COUNTY IN
- 5 WHICH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE RESIDE SHALL
- 6 SCHEDULE THE ELECTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 641 OF THE
- 7 MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.641. THE PROPOSAL SHALL
- 8 BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED AND REGISTERED ELECTORS RESIDING IN
- 9 THE VILLAGE AND EACH TOWNSHIP INTO WHICH THE VILLAGE IS PROPOSED TO
- 10 BE DISINCORPORATED AT THAT ELECTION.
- 11 (4) IF A DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION FAILS TO ADOPT A PLAN
- 12 UNDER SECTION 27J OR THE CLERK OF THE DISINCORPORATION COMMISSION
- 13 DOES NOT CERTIFY THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION FOR INCLUSION ON THE
- 14 BALLOT UNDER THIS SECTION, THE QUESTION OF DISINCORPORATION SHALL
- 15 BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 27A NOT MORE
- 16 THAN 1 YEAR AFTER THE DATE THE DISINCORPORATION PETITION WAS FILED
- 17 UNDER SECTION 27A.
- 18 SEC. 27M. (1) THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION IS APPROVED BY THE
- 19 ELECTORS AND SHALL TAKE PLACE PURSUANT TO THE PLAN ADOPTED UNDER
- 20 SECTION 27J ONLY IF A MAJORITY OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING VOTES CAST
- 21 ON THE QUESTION OF THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION ARE IN FAVOR OF
- 22 THE DISINCORPORATION:
- 23 (A) THE VOTES CAST BY ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE.
- 24 (B) THE VOTES CAST BY THE ELECTORS OF EACH TOWNSHIP INTO WHICH
- 25 THE VILLAGE IS PROPOSED TO BE DISINCORPORATED, COUNTED SEPARATELY,
- 26 AND EXCLUDING VOTES CAST BY RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE.
- 27 (2) UNLESS THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION IS APPROVED AS

- 1 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1), THE PROPOSED DISINCORPORATION PURSUANT
- 2 TO A PLAN ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 27J IS DISAPPROVED BY THE ELECTORS
- 3 AND THE VILLAGE SHALL NOT BE DISINCORPORATED PURSUANT TO THE PLAN.
- 4 SEC. 27N. A NEW PETITION SHALL NOT BE FILED UNDER SECTION 27A
- 5 LESS THAN 2 YEARS AFTER THE ELECTION IF THE DISINCORPORATION IS
- 6 DISAPPROVED BY THE ELECTORS AT AN ELECTION HELD PURSUANT TO SECTION
- 7 27A OR 27l.