

Legislative Analysis



POLLING PLACE LOCATIONS

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House Bill 5031 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Ann M. Bollin
Committee: Elections and Ethics
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 5031 would amend the Michigan Election Law to expand the types of locations that could be used as polling places. Currently, school buildings, fire stations, police stations, and other publicly owned or controlled buildings must be used as polling places. Other buildings owned by tax-exempt organizations may be designated if public buildings are not available or convenient. Additionally, housing facilities or complexes in which 150 or more people reside may be designated.

The bill would provide that, unless it is owned by a person that is a sponsor of a political committee or independent committee, any privately owned building could also be designated as a polling place.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 5031 would have no fiscal impact on the Department of State but may provide marginal cost savings to local units of government by allowing buildings other than publicly owned buildings to be designated as polling locations.

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