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Senate Bill 756 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Election Law to do the following:

- -- Specify that if the clerk of a city or township with at least 10,000 active registered electors notified the Secretary of State at least 40 days before election day, the clerk of that city or township could allow election inspectors appointed to an absent voter counting board to work in shifts.
- -- Prohibit an election inspector from leaving an absent voter counting place after tallying had begun until polls closed.
- -- Require the Secretary of State to post a notice received from a city or township clerk for this purpose on the Department of State's website.

MCL 168.765a Legislative Analyst: Dana Adams

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would not have a significant fiscal impact on State or local government. The bill would allow a city or township clerk to submit a written notice to the Secretary of State to permit its absent voter counting board to work in shifts. The cost of producing this notice likely would be absorbed by existing local appropriations. Under the bill, the Secretary of State would have to post any notice received to the Department of State website. The administrative costs to the Department associated with receiving, processing, and posting a notice would be covered by existing appropriations.

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