

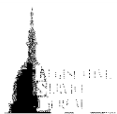
# HOUSE BILL NO. 5031

September 25, 2019, Introduced by Rep. Bollin and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 662 (MCL 168.662), as amended by 2004 PA 92.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 662. (1) The legislative body in each city ~~, village,~~ and  
2       township shall designate and prescribe the place or places of  
3       holding an election for a city, village, or township election, and  
4       shall provide a suitable polling place in or for each precinct  
5       located in the city ~~, village,~~ or township for use at each  
6       election. Except as otherwise provided in this section, school



buildings, fire stations, police stations, and other publicly owned or controlled buildings ~~shall~~**must** be used as polling places. If it is not possible or convenient to use a publicly owned or controlled building as a polling place, the legislative body of the city ~~, or~~ township ~~, or village~~ may use as a polling place a building owned or controlled by an organization that is exempt from federal income tax as provided by section 501(c), other than 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), of the internal revenue code of 1986, ~~or any successor statute.~~**26 USC 501.** The legislative body of a city ~~, or~~ township ~~, or village~~ shall not designate as a polling place a building that is owned by a person ~~who~~**that** is a sponsor of a political committee or independent committee. A city ~~, or~~ township ~~, or village~~ shall not use as a polling place a building that does not meet the requirements of this section. As used in this subsection, "sponsor of a political committee or independent committee" means a person ~~who~~**that** is described as being a sponsor under section 24(3) of the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.224, and includes a subsidiary of a corporation or a local of a labor organization, if the corporation or labor organization is considered a sponsor under section 24(3) of the Michigan campaign finance act, 1976 PA 388, MCL 169.224.

(2) The legislative body in each city ~~, village,~~ and township shall make arrangements for the rental or erection of suitable buildings for use as polling places if publicly owned or controlled buildings are not available, and shall have the polling places equipped with the necessary facilities for lighting and with adequate facilities for heat and ventilation. The legislative body may establish a central polling place or places for 6 precincts or less if it is possible and convenient for the electors to vote at

1 the central polling place. The legislative body may abolish other  
2 polling places not required as a result of the establishment of a  
3 central polling place.

4 (3) The legislative body of a city ~~, village,~~ or township may  
5 establish a polling place at a for profit or nonprofit residence or  
6 facility in which 150 ~~persons~~ **individuals** or more aged 62 or older  
7 reside, ~~or at an apartment building or complex in which 150 persons~~  
8 **individuals** or more reside, **or, unless prohibited under subsection**  
9 **(1), any privately owned building.** A township board may provide  
10 polling places located within the limits of a city that has been  
11 incorporated from territory formerly a part of the township, and  
12 the electors of the township may cast their ballots at those  
13 polling places. If 2 contiguous townships utilize a combined  
14 township hall or other publicly owned or controlled building within  
15 1 of the township's boundaries and outside of the other township's  
16 boundaries, and there is not another publicly owned or controlled  
17 building or a building owned or controlled by an organization that  
18 is exempt from federal income tax, as provided by section 501(c),  
19 other than 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), of the internal revenue code of  
20 1986, **26 USC 501**, available or suitable for a polling place within  
21 the other township, then each township board may provide a polling  
22 place in that publicly owned building for 1 or more election  
23 precinct.

24 (4) The legislative body of a city ~~, village,~~ or township  
25 shall not establish, move, or abolish a polling place less than 60  
26 days before an election unless necessary because a polling place  
27 has been damaged, destroyed, or rendered inaccessible or unusable  
28 as a polling place.

29 (5) The legislative body of a city ~~, village,~~ or township



1 shall ensure that a polling place established under this section is  
2 accessible and complies with the voting accessibility for the  
3 elderly and handicapped act and the help America vote act of 2002.

4 (6) As used in this section, "accessible" means the removal or  
5 modification of policies, practices, and procedures that deny an  
6 individual with a disability the opportunity to vote, including the  
7 removal of physical barriers as identified in section 261(b) of the  
8 help America vote act of 2002, ~~42 USC 15421~~, **52 USC 21021**, so as to  
9 ensure individuals with disabilities the opportunity to participate  
10 in elections in this state.

