

# HOUSE BILL NO. 4511

March 16, 2021, Introduced by Rep. Hornberger and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 931a (MCL 168.931a), as added by 2012 PA 280.

## **THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 931a. (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the  
2       contrary, ~~and except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), the~~  
3       name of an elected or appointed official of this state or a  
4       political subdivision of this state, ~~shall or any contact~~  
5       **information for an elected or appointed official of this state or a**

political subdivision of this state that includes the elected or appointed official's name or any part of the elected or appointed official's name, including an electronic mail address, must not appear on any ballot-related material that is provided to an elector. As used in this section, "ballot-related material" includes any of the following:

(a) An absent voter ballot application.

(b) Any material provided to an elector with an absent voter ballot application including an absent voter ballot application return envelope.

~~(c) (a) Any material provided to an elector with an absent voter ballot.~~

~~(d) (b) Absent voter ballot instructions.~~

~~(e) (c) An envelope used to mail to an elector an absent voter ballot or any other ballot material.~~

~~(f) (d) An absent voter ballot return envelope.~~

(g) Beginning January 1, 2022, a voter identification card.

(h) Beginning January 1, 2022, any material provided to an elector with a voter identification card.

~~(2) Any ballot-related material printed or prepared before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section that contains the name of an elected or appointed official of this state or a political subdivision of this state may be used if the elected or appointed official whose name appears on the ballot-related materials is not a candidate at the election in which those ballot-related materials are being used.~~

(2) ~~(3) A person~~ An individual who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$100.00 for a first offense and is guilty of a misdemeanor

- 1 punishable by a fine of not more than \$250.00 for a second or
- 2 subsequent offense.
- 3       Enacting section 1 This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 4 after the date it is enacted into law.