

# HOUSE BILL NO. 6479

November 09, 2022, Introduced by Reps. Steven Johnson and Haadsma and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled  
"Michigan campaign finance act,"  
by amending section 36 (MCL 169.236), as amended by 2012 PA 277.

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

**1**       Sec. 36. (1) A candidate committee for a state elective office  
**2**       or a judicial office shall file a copy of the campaign statement  
**3**       required under this act with the secretary of state. The secretary

1 of state shall reproduce the copy and transmit the reproduction to  
2 the clerk of the county of residence of the candidate.

3 (2) A ballot question committee supporting or opposing a  
4 statewide ballot question shall file a copy of the campaign  
5 statement required under this act with the secretary of state and  
6 with the clerk of the most populous county in the state. Except as  
7 otherwise provided in this subsection, a ballot question committee  
8 supporting or opposing a ballot question to be voted upon in more  
9 than 1 county, but not statewide, shall file a copy of the campaign  
10 statement required under this act with the clerk of the county in  
11 which the greatest number of registered voters eligible to vote on  
12 the ballot question reside. Except as otherwise provided in this  
13 subsection, a ballot question committee supporting or opposing a  
14 ballot question to be voted upon within a single county shall file  
15 a copy of the campaign statement required under this act only with  
16 the clerk of that county. If a ballot question committee is  
17 registered with the secretary of state and is supporting or  
18 opposing a nonstatewide ballot question, that ballot question  
19 committee is only required to file the campaign statement required  
20 under this act with the secretary of state.

21 (3) A political party committee shall file a copy of the  
22 campaign statement required under this act with the secretary of  
23 state. The secretary of state shall reproduce a copy of the  
24 campaign statement of a political party committee that is a county  
25 committee and file the copy with the clerk of the county where the  
26 county committee operates.

27 (4) A committee supporting or opposing a candidate for local  
28 elective office, if the office is to be voted on in more than 1  
29 county but not statewide, shall file a copy of the campaign

1 statement required under this act with the clerk of the county in  
2 which the greatest number of registered voters eligible to vote on  
3 the office reside.

4 (5) If a committee is registered with the secretary of state  
5 and is supporting or opposing the recall of a local elective  
6 officeholder, that committee is only required to file the campaign  
7 statement required under this act with the secretary of state.

8 (6) ~~A~~**Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a**  
9 committee not covered under subsection (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5)  
10 shall file a copy of the campaign statement required under this act  
11 with the secretary of state. ~~, except that a~~**A** committee reporting  
12 contributions or expenditures for a candidate within only 1 county  
13 shall file a statement only with the clerk of that county **if the**  
14 **county clerk or county prosecutor is not the candidate the**  
15 **committee is supporting or opposing.**

16 (7) A local unit of government that receives copies of  
17 campaign statements under this section shall make the statements  
18 available for public inspection and reproduction during regular  
19 business hours of the local unit of government. The local unit of  
20 government shall make the statements available as soon as  
21 practicable after receipt, but not later than the third business  
22 day following the day on which they are received.