

SENATE BILL NO. 1052

May 19, 2022, Introduced by Senator MCBROOM and referred to the Committee on Elections.

A bill to amend 1966 PA 261, entitled

"An act to provide for the apportionment of county boards of commissioners; to prescribe the size of the board; to provide for appeals; to prescribe the manner of election of the members of the county board of commissioners; to provide for compensation of members; to prescribe penalties and provide remedies; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

by amending section 11 (MCL 46.411), as amended by 2021 PA 145, and by adding section 11c.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 11. A candidate for the office of county commissioner
- 2 must be a resident and registered voter of the district that he or

1 she seeks to represent and must remain a resident and registered
 2 voter to hold his or her office, if elected. ~~Nominations~~ **Except as**
 3 **otherwise provided in section 11c, nominations** and elections for
 4 commissioners must be by partisan elections. In order for the name
 5 of a candidate for nomination for the office of county commissioner
 6 to appear on the official primary ballot, a nominating petition or
 7 a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100.00 must be filed with the county
 8 clerk. The nominating petition must ~~have been~~ **be** signed by a number
 9 of qualified and registered electors residing within the district
 10 as determined under section 544f of the Michigan election law, 1954
 11 PA 116, MCL 168.544f. The deadline for filing nomination petitions
 12 or filing fees is the same as for a candidate for state
 13 representative. ~~An individual who has been convicted of a violation~~
 14 ~~of section 12a(1) of 1941 PA 370, MCL 38.412a, is not eligible to~~
 15 ~~be a county commissioner for 20 years after the conviction.~~

16 **Sec. 11c. Beginning January 1 of the year of the federal**
 17 **decennial census and continuing until December 31 of the third year**
 18 **following that date, the county board of commissioners of a county**
 19 **with a population of less than 75,000 may adopt a resolution to**
 20 **conduct nonpartisan elections for the office of county**
 21 **commissioner. If a county board of commissioners adopts a**
 22 **resolution as provided in this section, the resolution takes effect**
 23 **on December 31 of the year in which the resolution is adopted.**

24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
 25 after the date it is enacted into law.

26 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
 27 unless Senate Bill No. 1050 of the 101st Legislature is enacted
 28 into law.