## **SENATE BILL No. 1476**

September 7, 2010, Introduced by Senators GLEASON, GILBERT, NOFS and ALLEN and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law,"

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by amending section 254 (MCL 168.254), as amended by 1999 PA 218.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 254. (1) To EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION,
- 2 TO obtain the printing of the name of a person as a candidate for
- 3 nomination by a political party for the office of county road
- 4 commissioner under a particular party heading upon the official
- 5 primary ballots, there shall be filed with the county clerk of the
- 6 county nominating petitions signed by a number of qualified and
- 7 registered electors residing within the county as determined under
- 8 section 544f. IN A COUNTY WITH SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS FOR THE
- 9 OFFICE OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONER, TO OBTAIN THE PRINTING OF THE
  - NAME OF A PERSON AS A CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION BY A POLITICAL PARTY

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- 1 FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONER UNDER A PARTICULAR PARTY
- 2 HEADING UPON THE OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOTS, THERE SHALL BE FILED
- 3 WITH THE COUNTY CLERK NOMINATING PETITIONS SIGNED BY A NUMBER OF
- 4 QUALIFIED AND REGISTERED ELECTORS RESIDING WITHIN THE SINGLE-MEMBER
- 5 DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY AS DETERMINED UNDER SECTION 544F. Nominating
- 6 petitions shall be in the form prescribed in section 544c. The
- 7 county clerk shall receive nominating petitions up to 4 p.m. of the
- 8 twelfth Tuesday preceding BEFORE the August primary in which county
- 9 road commissioners are to be elected.
- 10 (2) To obtain the printing of the name of a candidate of a
- 11 political party under the particular party's heading upon the
- 12 primary election ballots in the various voting precincts of the
- 13 county, there may be filed by each candidate, in lieu of filing
- 14 nominating petitions, a filing fee of \$100.00 to be paid to the
- 15 county clerk. Payment of the fee and certification of the name of
- 16 the candidate paying the fee shall be governed by the same
- 17 provisions as in the case of nominating petitions. The fee shall be
- 18 deposited in the general fund of the county and shall be returned
- 19 to all candidates who are nominated and to an equal number of
- 20 candidates who received the next highest number of votes in the
- 21 primary election. If 2 or more candidates tie in having the lowest
- 22 number of votes allowing a refund, the sum of \$100.00 shall be
- 23 divided among them. The deposits of all other defeated candidates,
- 24 as well as the deposits of candidates who withdraw or are
- 25 disqualified, shall be forfeited and the candidates shall be
- 26 notified of the forfeitures. Deposits forfeited under this section
- 27 shall be paid into and credited to the general fund of the county.

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Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect 1 unless all of the following bills of the 95th Legislature are 2 enacted into law: 3 (a) Senate Bill No. 1108. (b) Senate Bill No. 1109. 5 (c) Senate Bill No. 1110. 6 (d) Senate Bill No. 1477. 7 8 (e) Senate Bill No. 1478. 9

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