

SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4653

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending section 744 (MCL 168.744), as amended by 1995 PA 261,
and by adding section 744a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 744. (1) An election inspector or any other person in ~~the~~
2 **A** polling room, ~~or~~ in a compartment connected to ~~the~~**A** polling
3 room, or within 100 feet from any entrance to ~~the~~**A** building in
4 which ~~the~~**A** polling place is located shall not persuade or endeavor
5 to persuade a person to vote for or against any particular
6 candidate or party ticket ~~—~~ or for or against any ballot question
7 that is being voted on at the election. A person shall not place or
8 distribute stickers, other than stickers provided by the election
9 officials pursuant to law, in ~~the~~**A** polling room, ~~or~~ in a

1 compartment connected to ~~the~~**A** polling room, or within 100 feet
2 from any entrance to ~~the~~**A** building in which ~~the~~**A** polling place is
3 located.

4 (2) A person shall not solicit donations, gifts,
5 contributions, purchase of tickets, or similar demands, or request
6 or obtain signatures on petitions in ~~the~~**A** polling room, ~~or~~ in a
7 compartment connected to ~~the~~**A** polling room, or within 100 feet
8 from any entrance to ~~the~~**A** building in which ~~the~~**A** polling place is
9 located.

10 (3) On election day, a person shall not post, display, or
11 distribute in a polling place, in any hallway used by voters to
12 enter or exit a polling place, or within 100 feet of an entrance to
13 a building in which a polling place is located any material that
14 directly or indirectly makes reference to an election, a candidate,
15 or a ballot question. ~~This~~**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SECTION**
16 **744A, THIS** subsection does not apply to official material that is
17 required by law to be posted, displayed, or distributed in a
18 polling place on election day.

19 (4) A person who violates this section is guilty of a
20 misdemeanor.

21 **SEC. 744A. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW TO THE**
22 **CONTRARY, THE NAME OF AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIAL OF THIS**
23 **STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE SHALL NOT APPEAR ON**
24 **ANY MATERIAL THAT IS TEMPORARILY POSTED, DISPLAYED, OR DISTRIBUTED**
25 **IN A POLLING PLACE OR POLLING ROOM ON ELECTION DAY.**

26 (2) **A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A**
27 **MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$100.00 FOR A**

1 FIRST OFFENSE AND IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE
2 OF NOT MORE THAN \$250.00 FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE.