

Rep. Segal offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 309.

A resolution to call on the Kent County Prosecutor and Attorney General to immediately re-open the investigation into the election rigging scandal in the 76th House District.

Whereas, This legislative body's power ultimately rests on the public's trust in the integrity, dignity, and transparency of the institution and its proceedings. The protection of this trust is a paramount duty of its leaders and members. We must hold ourselves, and particularly our leaders, to the highest standards of conduct, complying not only with the letter of the law but its spirit; and

Whereas, Serious legal and ethical questions remain about the involvement of certain members of the House of Representatives in the candidate filings for the 76th House District. Numerous calls have been made, including from members of this legislative body, for a formal, thorough, and transparent investigation into the roles played by certain House members and for the full disclosure of information and documents related to this incident; and

Whereas, Recent news reports have uncovered through a Freedom of Information Act request that the Michigan State Police had secured additional search warrants to look at relevant cell phone records and an email account; and

Whereas, Before the state police could execute these warrants, the Kent County Prosecutor ended the investigation without bringing any charges in the election rigging scheme and, therefore, the additional search warrants were cancelled; and

Whereas, A full investigation has yet to occur and questions remain unanswered. A full investigation is imperative and the public's trust in this legislative body cannot be restored until the public knows the whole story; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we call on the Kent County Prosecutor and the Attorney General to immediately re-open the investigation into the election rigging scandal in the 76th House District; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Kent County Prosecutor and Attorney General.