

Legislative Analysis



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House Bill 4876 (proposed substitute H-1)

Sponsor: Rep. Julie Alexander
Committee: Elections and Ethics
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4876 would amend the Michigan Election Law to modify the application requirements for a person seeking to serve as an election inspector.

Currently, an applicant must submit an application with the city or township clerk, indicating personal information, including political party affiliation. The bill would require that the affiliation be recognized by the secretary of state. In addition, under the bill, the application would have to include an attestation signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury that the information provided is true, complete, and accurate.

Additionally, clerks would have to do all of the following:

- As is currently required, maintain a file of applications and make them available for public inspection at the clerk's office during normal business hours.
- Provide to the chairperson of each precinct and absent voter (AV) counting board in the city or township a list of the individuals assigned to the precinct or AV counting board as precinct election inspectors that certifies that the individuals have a complete application on file, including the required political party affiliation.
- Make the list of assignments and affiliations available for public inspection.
- Provide to the chairperson of each political party committee in the county where the city or township is located a certified list containing the political party affiliation of each individual acting as a precinct election inspector in each precinct and AV counting board in the city or township.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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