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House Bill 4838 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)  
Sponsor: Representative Phil Green  
House Committee: Elections and Ethics  
Senate Committee: Elections

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### **CONTENT**

**The bill would amend the Michigan Election Law to do the following:**

- **Prohibit an electronic poll book from being connected to the internet after the polls opened on election day and until the results were tabulated and transmitted to the appropriate clerk.**
- **Prohibit an electronic voting system from being connected to the internet the polls opened on election day and until the results were tabulated and transmitted to the appropriate clerk.**

Under the Law, each city or township must use the electronic poll book software develop by the Bureau of Elections in each election precinct in the city or township on election day to process voters and generate election precinct reports. The bill would prohibit, in each election precinct or absent voter counting board on election day, the electronic poll book from being connected to the internet after the polls opened and until the results were tabulated for that precinct and transmitted to the appropriate clerk.

The Law requires an electronic voting system to meet certain requirements. The bill also would require an electronic voting system in each election precinct or absent voter counting board on election day not be connected to the internet after the polls opened and until after the results were tabulated for that precinct and only for the purpose of uploading the results to the appropriate clerk.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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