

# Legislative Analysis



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**House Bill 5287 as reported from committee**

**Sponsor: Rep. David Martin**

**Committee: Local Government and Municipal Finance**

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## SUMMARY:

House Bill 5287 would amend the Michigan Election Law to give county political party committees certain responsibilities now given to city or township party committees.

Specifically, if a county clerk calls a special election to fill a vacancy in an elective township office under certain circumstances, the act now requires the *township* party committee for each political party in the township to submit a nominee to fill the vacancy. The bill instead would require a nominee to be submitted by the *county* party committee for each political party in the county where the township is located.

The act also now provides that duties and privileges generally given to committees of different political parties or organizations are given to the *city or township* committees of those parties or organizations for matters that pertain to a city or township election. The bill instead would provide that the *county* committee of a political party or organization has those duties and privileges with regard to city or township elections.

MCL 168.370 and 168.719

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or on counties, townships, or cities.

## POSITIONS:

A representative of the Michigan Townships Association testified in support of the bill.  
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