

HOUSE BILL NO. 5564

November 30, 2021, Introduced by Reps. Manoogian, Koleszar, Lasinski, Coleman, Bolden, Pohutsky, Young, Brabec, Hope, Weiss, Cavanagh, Whitsett and Anthony and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
(MCL 168.1 to 168.992) by adding section 496a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 496a. (1) An individual may preregister to vote at a
2 secretary of state office, at the city or township clerk's office
3 in the city or township in which the individual resides, at a
4 designated voter registration agency, by mail, or on the department
5 of state's website, if the individual meets all of the following

1 requirements:

2 (a) Is at least 16 years of age but less than 17-1/2 years of
3 age.

4 (b) Is a citizen of the United States.

5 (c) Is a resident of this state.

6 (2) The secretary of state is authorized to create a
7 preregistration to vote application. An individual shall
8 preregister to vote on the application prescribed by the secretary
9 of state. The preregistration to vote application must include all
10 of the following:

11 (a) The name of the individual.

12 (b) The residence address of the individual, including the
13 street and number or rural route and box number and the apartment
14 number, if any.

15 (c) The city or township and county of residence of the
16 individual.

17 (d) The date of birth of the individual.

18 (e) The driver license or state personal identification card
19 number of the individual, if available.

20 (f) A statement that the individual is a citizen of the United
21 States.

22 (g) A statement that the individual is at the time of
23 completing the affidavit at least 16 years of age.

24 (h) A statement that the individual is a resident of the city
25 or township provided by the individual.

26 (i) A space for the individual to sign and certify to the
27 truth of the statements on the application.

28 (3) An individual who preregisters to vote under this section
29 becomes a registered elector at 17-1/2 years of age and is eligible

1 to vote at the first election after he or she becomes 18 years of
2 age.

3 (4) If an individual preregisters to vote at a secretary of
4 state office or at a designated voter registration agency, the
5 secretary of state or the agency shall, immediately upon receipt of
6 the preregistration to vote application, transmit the
7 preregistration to vote application to the appropriate city or
8 township clerk. The secretary of state shall transmit the
9 electronic data for any preregistration conducted at a secretary of
10 state office or conducted on the department of state's website to
11 the qualified voter file. If an individual preregisters to vote at
12 a city or township clerk's office or by mail, the city or township
13 clerk shall, immediately upon receipt of the preregistration to
14 vote application, transmit the electronic data for the
15 preregistration to the qualified voter file.

16 (5) The qualified voter file must not include the name of an
17 individual who preregisters to vote on a precinct voter list for an
18 election before the individual becomes 18 years of age.

19 (6) If an individual who preregisters to vote changes the
20 address that appears on his or her driver license, official state
21 personal identification card, enhanced driver license, or enhanced
22 official state personal identification card, the preregistration to
23 vote address for that individual must also be changed.

24 (7) When an individual who preregisters to vote becomes 17-1/2
25 years of age, the secretary of state shall send a notice through
26 the qualified voter file to the appropriate city or township clerk
27 directing the clerk to send a voter identification card to the
28 individual who preregistered to vote.

29 (8) The city or township clerk who receives a notice from the

1 secretary of state under subsection (7) shall send a voter
2 identification card to the individual who preregistered to vote and
3 shall add that individual to the master file.

4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
5 after the date it is enacted into law.