

MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW (EXCERPT)
Act 116 of 1954

168.500b Forwarding application for registration to clerk of city or township; compensation of county clerks; obtaining additional information; transmitting application to appropriate clerk; electronic transmission of address change.

Sec. 500b. (1) Not more than 5 business days after receipt of an application for registration, the county clerk shall forward the application for registration to the clerk of the city or township in which the applicant resides.

(2) Compensation to be paid county clerks for transmitting applications shall be appropriated by the legislature to the secretary of state for equitable distribution by the secretary of state to the county clerks. The city or township clerk shall obtain needed additional information on an application that is not completed properly or return to the secretary of state's election division an application needing additional information or not completed properly. An application received by the clerk of a city or township in which the applicant does not reside shall be transmitted promptly to the appropriate county clerk of the county in which the applicant resides. If the city or township clerk knows the city or township in which the applicant resides, the clerk shall inform the county clerk of the county in which the applicant resides and forward the application directly to the clerk of the city or township in which the applicant resides.

(3) The secretary of state may electronically transmit to the qualified voter file voter registration change of address information received from a registered elector who is changing the address on his or her operator's or chauffeur's license issued pursuant to the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or official state personal identification card issued pursuant to 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300. The secretary of state is not required to transmit a paper copy of an elector's voter registration change of address information if the elector's signature is already captured or reproduced under section 307 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.307, and has been transmitted to the qualified voter file. This subsection applies to address changes made within a city or township and to address changes made from 1 city or township to another city or township.

History: Add. 1975, Act 28, Eff. July 1, 1975;—Am. 1989, Act 142, Imd. Eff. June 29, 1989;—Am. 2005, Act 71, Imd. Eff. July 14, 2005.

Compiler's note: Enacting section 4 of Act 71 of 2005 provides:

"Enacting section 4. If any portion of this amendatory act or the application of this amendatory act to any person or circumstances is found invalid by a court, the invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions or applications of this amendatory act that can be given effect without the invalid portion or application, if the remaining portions are not determined by the court to be inoperable, and to this end this amendatory act is declared to be severable."

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