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SEC. OF STATE OFFICES IN RETAIL STORES

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5624 AS INTRODUCED 3-15-90

Currently, under the Michigan Vehicle Code, the secretary of state is required to maintain an office in the state capitol complex and branch offices in each county with a population under 300,000. The code also requires that a branch office be maintained "in each city having a population 10,000 or more, but not within a radius of five miles from a county office location." Branch offices are not required in contiguous cities having a combined population of 10,000 or more. The bill would amend the code to permit the establishment of secretary of state branch offices in retail locations that provided space free of charge. In establishing these offices, the bill would require the secretary of state to consider factors including, but not limited to, the following:

- The location of the retail store or shopping mall.
- The proximity of the proposed branch office to an existing branch office.
- The present population of the city of township within which the proposed office would be located, and the likelihood of an increase in population.

As with other secretary of state branch offices, persons licensed as automobile dealers would be prohibited from employment in these offices.

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