

HOUSE BILL No. 4180

February 15, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Trim and Willis Bullard and referred to the Committee on Elections.

A bill to amend section 4 of Act No. 359 of the Public Acts of 1947, entitled

"An act to authorize the incorporation of charter townships; to provide a municipal charter therefor; and to prescribe the powers and functions thereof,"

being section 42.4 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 4 of Act No. 359 of the Public Acts of
2 1947, being section 42.4 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 4. All candidates for township office in charter town-
5 ships shall be nominated at the general NONPARTISAN primary elec-
6 tion held in the township before each general election at which
7 township officers are to be elected. ~~The~~ AS CLOSELY AS
8 POSSIBLE, THE primary election shall be conducted ~~, as near as~~
9 ~~may be,~~ pursuant to THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW, Act No. 116 of

1 the Public Acts of 1954, as amended, being sections 168.1 to
2 168.992 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. To obtain the printing of
3 the name of a candidate ~~of a political party~~ for a township
4 office ~~under the particular party heading~~ on the official
5 NONPARTISAN primary election ballot of the township, there shall
6 be filed with the township clerk ~~of the township up to~~ NOT
7 LATER THAN 4 p.m. of the ninth Tuesday before the day designated
8 for holding the primary election, nomination petitions bearing
9 the signatures of a number of registered and qualified voters of
10 the township equal to not less than 1% nor more than 4% of the
11 total number of votes cast for the office of supervisor in the
12 township in the last election in which a supervisor was elected.
13 ~~All the duties which devolve upon the county clerk in the con-~~
14 ~~duct of primary elections shall be performed by the township~~
15 ~~clerk with~~ WITH respect to the nomination of township officers,
16 ~~and~~ the TOWNSHIP CLERK SHALL PERFORM THE SAME DUTIES AS THE
17 COUNTY CLERK PERFORMS DURING A PRIMARY ELECTION. THE duties of
18 the county board of election commissioners shall be performed for
19 each township by a board of township election commissioners to be
20 composed of the township clerk ~~—~~ and ~~the~~ 2 trustees appointed
21 by the township board.

22 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
23 Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. ⁴¹⁸¹ (request
24 no. 00808'89) of the 85th Legislature is enacted into law.