

SENATE BILL No. 82

February 1, 1989, Introduced by Senator FESSLER and referred to the
Committee on Local Government and Veterans.

A bill to amend section 12 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 42.12 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 12 of Act No. 359 of the Public Acts of
2 1947, being section 42.12 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 12. The township board in each charter township may
5 provide for and establish a police force and authorize the super-
6 visor, or the township superintendent if one has been appointed,
7 to appoint, subject to the approval of the ~~said~~ board, a
8 township marshal and such other ~~policemen~~ POLICE OFFICERS and
9 watchmen as may be required to protect property and preserve the

1 public welfare and safety in that portion of the township not
2 included within the corporate limits of any village or villages
3 located wholly or in part within the township. ~~No~~ A police
4 officer of any such village shall NOT be ineligible for appoint-
5 ment as a member of the township police force, ~~except that no~~
6 BUT A village police officer shall NOT serve as township
7 marshal. The township board shall make all necessary rules for
8 the government of the township police force and its members and
9 shall prescribe the powers and duties of ~~police~~ POLICE
10 OFFICERS and watchmen, and may invest them with such authority as
11 may be necessary for the preservation of quiet and order and the
12 protection of persons and property within that part of the town-
13 ship not located within the corporate limits of any village.
14 HOWEVER, THE TOWNSHIP BOARD SHALL NOT REQUIRE THAT A POLICE OFFI-
15 CER EMPLOYED BY THE TOWNSHIP OR AN APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT AS A
16 POLICE OFFICER RESIDE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP.