

Legislative Analysis



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House Bill 4826 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Pauline Wendzel
Committee: Elections and Ethics
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4826 would amend the Michigan Election Law to revise the deadline for a write-in candidate for precinct delegate to file a declaration of intent.

Currently, the deadline for write-in candidates for most offices to file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate is on or before 4 p.m. on the second Friday immediately before the election. However, the deadline for write-in candidates for precinct delegate is on or before 4 p.m. on the Friday immediately before the election.

The bill would move the deadline for those write-in candidates back a week to bring it in line with the deadline for other offices.

In addition, the bill would retain a requirement that clerks maintain a supply of declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate forms in the clerk's office, but remove a requirement that they be made available at polling places during the August primary.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department of State or local units of government.

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