

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5138

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 482 (MCL 168.482), as amended by 1993 PA 137,  
and by adding section 488.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 482. (1) Each petition under this section shall be  
2 8-1/2 inches by 14 inches in size.

3       (2) If the measure to be submitted proposes a constitutional  
4 amendment, initiation of legislation, or referendum of legisla-  
5 tion, the heading of each part of the petition shall be prepared  
6 in the following form and printed in capital letters in 14-point  
7 ~~boldface~~ BOLDFACED type:

8                               INITIATIVE PETITION

**HB5138, As Passed House, April 22, 1998**

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1 AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

2 OR

3 INITIATION OF LEGISLATION

4 OR

5 REFERENDUM OF LEGISLATION

6 PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

7 (3) The full text of the amendment so proposed shall follow  
8 and be printed in 8-point type. If the proposal would alter or  
9 abrogate an existing provision of the constitution, the petition  
10 shall so state and the provisions to be altered or abrogated  
11 shall be inserted, preceded by the words:

12 "Provisions of existing constitution altered or abrogated by  
13 the proposal if adopted."

14 (4) THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT SHALL APPEAR BENEATH THE PETI-  
15 TION HEADING:

16 "We, the undersigned qualified and registered electors, res-  
17 idents in the  
18 city  
19 township

20 (strike 1) of ..... in the county of ....., state  
21 of Michigan, respectively petition for (amendment to  
22 constitution) (initiation of legislation) (referendum of  
23 legislation) (OTHER APPROPRIATE DESCRIPTION)."

24 (5) ~~-(4)-~~ The following warning shall be printed in 12-point  
25 type immediately above the place for signatures, on each part of  
26 the petition:

WARNING

A person who knowingly signs this petition more than once, signs a name other than his or her own, signs when not a qualified and registered elector, or sets opposite his or her signature on a petition, a date other than the actual date the signature was affixed, is violating the provisions of the Michigan election law.

(6) ~~—(5)—~~ The remainder of the petition form shall be as provided following the warning to electors signing the petition in section 544c(1). In addition, the petition shall comply with the requirements of section 544c(2).

SEC. 488. (1) SECTION 544C APPLIES TO A NOMINATING PETITION FOR AN OFFICE IN A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER A STATUTE THAT REFERS TO THIS SECTION, AND TO THE CIRCULATION AND SIGNING OF THE PETITION.

(2) SECTION 482(1), (4), (5), AND (6) APPLY TO A PETITION TO PLACE A QUESTION ON THE BALLOT BEFORE THE ELECTORATE OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER A STATUTE THAT REFERS TO THIS SECTION, AND TO THE CIRCULATION AND SIGNING OF THE PETITION.

(3) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES A PROVISION OF THIS ACT APPLICABLE TO A PETITION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OR (2) IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES PRESCRIBED FOR THAT VIOLATION IN THIS ACT.