

Legislative Analysis



ALLOW CLERKS TO MAIL ABSENTEE APPLICATION TO VOTERS 60 & OVER WITHOUT A REQUEST

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House Bill 4553 (Substitute H-3)
Sponsor: Rep. Marc Corriveau
Committee: Ethics and Elections

Complete to 7-24-07

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4553 (H-3) AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE

The bill would amend the Michigan Election Law to allow (but not require) a clerk of a city, township, or village to forward an absent voter ballot application form to all qualified and registered electors who are 60 years of age or older, *even if the elector has not requested an absent voter ballot application.*

MCL 168.759

FISCAL IMPACT:

There would be no fiscal impact on state government. There would be additional mailing costs for local units of government if clerks choose to forward the absent voter ballot application forms and hadn't been doing so already.

POSITIONS:

The Michigan League of Women Voters of Michigan supports the bill. (7-24-07)

The Michigan Townships Association supports the bill. (7-24-07)

The Service Employees International Union (SEIU) supports the bill. (7-24-07)

The Michigan Association of County Clerks supports the bill. (7-24-07)

The Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks supports the bill. (7-24-07)

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