

HOUSE BILL No. 5683

February 6, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Coulouris and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 205 (MCL 257.205), as amended by 1980 PA 398.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 205. (1) The secretary of state shall maintain an office
2 in the state capitol complex, and in other places in the state as
3 the secretary of state considers necessary to carry out the powers
4 and duties vested in the secretary of state.

5 (2) At least 1 office shall be established in each county of
6 the state and in each city of the state having a population of
7 10,000 or more, but not within a radius of 5 miles from a county
8 office location. This subsection does not apply in a county having
9 a population of 300,000 or more, nor to contiguous cities having a

1 combined population of 10,000 or more. A person licensed under
2 section 248, is not eligible for appointment to conduct, manage, or
3 be an employee of a branch or fee office of the secretary of state.

4 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (2), AT LEAST 1 OFFICE SHALL BE
5 ESTABLISHED IN EACH CITY OF THE STATE HAVING A POPULATION OF 60,000
6 OR MORE AS OF THE MOST RECENT FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

7 NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (2), IF A CITY IS CONTIGUOUS WITH A
8 MUNICIPALITY THAT IS COVERED UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS
9 ACT OF 1965, 42 USC 1973C, THE OFFICE MAY BE ESTABLISHED IN EITHER
10 THE CITY OR THE MUNICIPALITY.

11 (4) ~~(2)~~—A bond may be required of a person in an office
12 established under subsection ~~(1)~~—(2) OR (3) in an amount that the
13 secretary of state prescribes to cover the safe handling of money
14 received under this act. The secretary of state shall not be held
15 personally liable for a loss of money because of armed robbery,
16 larceny, embezzlement, riot, act of God, or other act of a person
17 resulting in a loss of money ~~which~~—**THAT** is within the authority and
18 responsibility of the secretary of state as the administrator of
19 this act.

20 (5) ~~(3)~~—A person appointed to conduct a branch office shall
21 receive compensation fixed by the secretary of state, and necessary
22 expenses of the office. The compensation and expenses shall be paid
23 out of the Michigan transportation fund and shall be deducted from
24 the fund before the fund is certified to the state treasurer.