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Senate Bill 810 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Senate Bill 811 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Goeff Hansen
Committee: Local Government and Elections

CONTENT

Senate Bill 810 (S-2) would amend the Michigan Election Law to do the following:

- Require a village regular election to be held at the general November election, and eliminate a provision allowing a village regular election to be held in September.
- Delete several references to a village regular election held in September.
- Allow a city that held its regular election for city offices annually or in the odd year on the November regular election date to change its regular election schedule to the even year general election and the even year primary election.

Senate Bill 811 would amend the General Law Village Act to eliminate references to a village election held in September with regard to the beginning dates of village officials' terms of office.

Senate Bill 811 is tie-barred to Senate Bill 810.

MCL 168.4 et al. (S.B. 810)
62.4 et al. (S.B. 811)

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FISCAL IMPACT

Senate Bill 810 (S-2) would have no fiscal impact on State government. The bill would result in savings for local units of government by eliminating the September elections. According to the Secretary of State, the average cost of an election is approximately \$2,000 per precinct. The savings would correspond with the number of precincts in a local unit that would eliminate a September election. By moving these local elections to the November general election, there would be no additional costs to the local unit as the general election costs are already budgeted.

Senate Bill 811 would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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