SENATE BILL NO. 573

October 10, 2023, Introduced by Senator MOSS and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law,"

by amending section 661 (MCL 168.661), as amended by 2023 PA 88.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 661. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), city and township election commissions shall divide precincts according to law, not later than 210 days before the primary next preceding the general November election, and shall immediately notify the county clerk of the number of registered electors in each precinct in the city or township. The county clerk shall notify the secretary of state not later than 200 days before the primary of a precinct in

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- 1 the clerk's county that has not been divided according to law, and
- 2 the secretary of state shall proceed to make divisions as are
- 3 necessary at the expense of the city or township involved, not
- 4 later than 180 days before the primary next preceding the general
- 5 November election. A division of precincts must be made effective
- 6 not later than 180 days before the primary election next preceding
- 7 the general November election.
- 8 (2) In the second year following each federal decennial
- 9 census, precincts must be divided under this subsection. City and
- 10 township election commissions shall divide precincts not later than
- 11 120 days before the primary election next preceding the general
- 12 November election in order that a precinct, as far as is practical,
- 13 is not split between districts and does not exceed 5,000-4,999
- 14 registered electors, and shall immediately notify the county clerk
- 15 of the number of registered electors in each precinct in each city
- 16 or township. The county clerk shall notify the secretary of state
- 17 not later than 110 days before the primary of any precincts in the
- 18 county that have not been divided, and the secretary of state shall
- 19 proceed to make the divisions as are necessary, at the expense of
- 20 the city or township involved, not later than 90 days before the
- 21 primary election next preceding the general November election. The
- 22 division of precincts must be made effective not later than 90 days
- 23 before the primary election. The secretary of state may authorize,
- 24 on written request by a city or township election commission, a
- 25 later division of a precinct that contains portions of more than 1
- 26 elective district. All precinct divisions must be completed not
- 27 later than 90 days before the primary election next preceding the
- 28 general November election. In determining the number of registered
- 29 voters for a precinct under this subsection, a city or township

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- 1 election commission or the secretary of state, as applicable, must
- 2 use only the active registered electors for that city or township.