

Legislative Analysis



PROHIBIT RANKED CHOICE VOTING

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House Bill 4707 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Rachelle Smit
Committee: Election Integrity
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4707 would amend the Michigan Election Law to prohibit the state or a city or township from conducting an election using *ranked choice voting*. A city or township could not enact or enforce a law or ordinance authorizing ranked choice voting, and any such law or ordinance would be void and unenforceable.

Ranked choice voting would mean either of the following methods of voting:

- One that allows a voter to rank the candidates for an office in order of preference, with ballots tabulated in multiple rounds following the elimination of candidates until a single candidate is declared the winner.
- One that allows voters to vote for more candidates for an office than the total number of positions to be filled for that office.

Proposed MCL 168.642e

FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

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