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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4793 (as reported without amendment)
House Bills 4794 and 4795 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Representative Mike Hoadley (H.B. 4793)
Representative Angela Rigas (H.B. 4794)
Representative Rachelle Smit (H.B. 4795)
House Committee: Election Integrity
Senate Committee: Elections and Ethics

CONTENT

House Bill 4793 would amend the Michigan Election Law to remove a provision requiring an individual elected or appointed to a school board to file an acceptance of office with the secretary of the board.

House Bill 4794 (H-1) would amend the Community College Act to remove from the reasons that a member of a board of trustees may be removed from office the trustee's failure to file the trustee's acceptance of office. The bill also would remove the requirement to file an acceptance.

House Bill 4795 (H-1) would amend the Revised School Code to remove a provision requiring an individual appointed by an intermediate school district board to a consolidated school district's board to file with the intermediate superintendent an acceptance of the office.

House Bills 4793 and 4794 are tie-barred, as are House Bills 4793 and 4795.

MCL 168.309 & 168.310 (H.B. 4793)
389.156 & 389.157 (H.B. 4794)
380.861 (H.B. 4795)

BRIEF RATIONALE

The State Constitution of 1961 requires all legislative, executive, and judicial officers to take an oath of office before taking office. Of these public officials, only school board and community college board candidates are required to sign and file an acceptance of office with the board's secretary. Some believe that this acceptance of office is unnecessary, especially because it is only required of a few officials. Accordingly, it has been suggested that this requirement be removed.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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