



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS  
REP. PENELOPE TSERNOGLOU  
CHAIR

### COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

11:00 AM

Room 327, House Office Building

The House Committee on Elections was called to order by Chair Tsernoglou.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches, Smit, DeBoyer.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Hope moved to adopt the meeting minutes from May 23, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4156, HB 4440, HB 4567, HB 4568, HB 4569 and HB 4570 before the committee:

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| HB 4156 (Rep. Rheingans)  | A bill to enter into the agreement among the states to elect the President by national popular vote; and for related purposes.  |
| HB 4440 (Rep. Rheingans)  | A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 42 (MCL 168.42), as amended by 1999 PA 216.  |
| HB 4567 (Rep. Tsernoglou) | A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 497 and 761 (MCL 168.497 and 168.761), section 497 as amended by 2018 PA 603 and section 761 as amended by 2020 PA 302. |
| HB 4568 (Rep. Whitsett)   | A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 931 (MCL 168.931), as amended by 1996 PA 583.  |

HB 4569 (Rep. Coffia)

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending sections 495, 509o, 509q, 509r, 509gg, and 516 (MCL 168.495, 168.509o, 168.509q, 168.509r, 168.509gg, and 168.516), section 495 as amended by 2018 PA 603, section 509o as amended by 2022 PA 195, section 509q as amended by 2020 PA 302, sections 509r and 516 as amended by 2018 PA 125, and section 509gg as amended by 2014 PA 94, and by adding section 496a.

HB 4570 (Rep. Rogers)

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 759 (MCL 168.759), as amended by 2020 PA 302.

Representative Rheingans testified in support of HB 4440.

Scott Urbanowski, representing Pride at Work Michigan, testified in support of HB 4156, HB 4440, HB 4567, HB 4568, HB 4569 and HB 4570.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4156 and HB 4440, but did not wish to speak:

Bill Richardson, representing Pure Integrity Michigan Elections.

John Crawford, representing Keep Our 50 States.

Jasper Hendricks, representing Democrats for The Electoral College.

Sean Parnell, representing Save Our States.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 4156, HB 4440, HB 4567 and HB 4569, but due to the time constraints were unable to speak:

Sheri Ritchie, representing Pure Integrity Michigan Elections, StandUp Michigan, and the Freedom Alliance.

The following person submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4568 and HB 4570, but due to the time constraints were unable to speak:

Sheri Ritchie, representing Pure Integrity Michigan Elections, StandUp Michigan, and the Freedom Alliance.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4440, but did not wish to speak:

Stephanie Kreuz, representing Heritage Action for America.

Gwen and Keith Vrooman.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4156, HB 4440, HB 4567, HB 4568, HB 4569 and HB 4570, but did not wish to speak:

Logan Vorce, representing the Michigan League of Conservation Voters.

Ricky Servantez Bicknell, representing Voters Not Politicians.

Angela Ardis, representing NextGen America.

Olivia Lockett, representing the Michigan Democratic Party.

Quentin Turner, representing Common Cause.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 4156, HB 4440, HB 4567, HB

4568, HB 4569 and HB 4570, but did not wish to speak:

Kristie Warner-Walls.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4567, HB 4568, HB 4569 and HB 4570, but did not wish to speak:

Rachel Richards, representing the Michigan League for Public Policy.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 4567 and HB 4569, but did not wish to speak:

Bill Richardson, representing Pure Integrity Michigan Elections.

The following person submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4568 and HB 4570, but did not wish to speak:

Bill Richardson, representing Pure Integrity Michigan Elections.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4568, but did not wish to speak:

Tim Ward, representing UBER.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4569, but did not wish to speak:

Dr. Sheryl Kennedy, representing the Michigan Department of Education.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4570, but did not wish to speak:

Dave Hodgkins, representing the Michigan Municipal League.

Representative Tsernoglou offered the following amendment to HB 4567:

1. Amend page 3, line 22, after "**state.**" by striking out the balance of the line through "**law.**" on line 29.

Representative Wegela moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4567. The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Koleszar moved to report HB 4567 as amended, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Byrnes moved to report out HB 4568 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Churches moved to report out HB 4569 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Wegela moved to report out HB 4570 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Hope moved to report out HB 4156 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Byrnes moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 4440. The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

Representative Churches moved to report out HB 4440 with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed 6-2-0:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Tsernoglou, Wegela, Hope, Koleszar, Byrnes, Churches.

Nays: Reps. Smit, DeBoyer.

Pass: None.

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Tsernoglou adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

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Representative Penelope Tsernoglou, Chair

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