

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND ETHICS REP. ANN BOLLIN CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

12:00 PM

Room 326, House Office Building

The House Committee on Elections and Ethics was called to order by Chair Bollin.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Bollin, Wendzel, Calley, Steven Johnson, Filler, Koleszar, Whitsett.

Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative Calley moved to adopt the meeting minutes from October 26, 2021. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4923 before the committee:

HB 4923 (Rep. Steven Johnson)

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 2 (MCL 168.2), as amended by 2018 PA 603.

Representative Johnson, testified in support of HB 4923. Questions and discussion followed.

Alex Weddon, representing Pure Integrity for Michigan Elections, testified in opposition to HB 4923.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 4923, but did not wish to speak: James Johnson, representing Pure Integrity for Michigan Elections. Shira Roza, representing Promote the Vote.

The following person submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 4923, but did not wish to speak:

Adam Reames, representing the Michigan Department of State.

The Chair laid HB 5474 before the committee:

HB 5474 (Rep. Meerman)

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled "Michigan election law," by amending section 807 (MCL 168.807).

Tim Holland, representing Representative Meerman, testified in support of HB 5474. Questions and discussion followed.

Adam Reames, representing the Michigan Department of State, testified in opposition to HB 5474.

Alex Weddon, representing Pure Integrity for Michigan Elections, testified in support of HB 5474.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 5474, but did not wish to speak: James Johnson, representing Pure Integrity for Michigan Elections.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to HB 5474, but did not wish to speak: Shira Roza, representing Promote the Vote.

Bill Zaagman, representing the Michigan Association of County Clerks and the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks.

Erica Peresman, representing the Michigan Democratic Party.

The Chair laid HB 5273 before the committee:

HB 5273 (Rep. Hertel)

A bill to amend 1966 PA 293, entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of charter counties; to provide for the election of charter commissioners; to prescribe their powers and duties; to prohibit certain acts of a county board of commissioners after the approval of the election of a charter commission; to prescribe the mandatory and permissive provisions of a charter; to provide for the exercise by a charter county of certain powers whether or not authorized by its charter; and to prescribe penalties and provide remedies," by amending sections 11a and 14 (MCL 45.511a and 45.514), section 11a as added by 1980 PA 7 and section 14 as amended by 2017 PA 210, and by adding section 14b.

Representative Hertel and Joe Fresarch testified in support of HB 5273. Questions and discussion followed.

James Johnson, representing Pure Integrity for Michigan Elections, testified in opposition to HB 5273.

The following person submitted a card with a neutral position on HB 5273, but did not wish to speak:

Adam Reasmes, representing the Michigan Department of State.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 5273, but did not wish to speak: Alex Weddon, representing Pure Integrity for Michigan Elections.

There being no further business before the committee, Rep. Ann Bollin adjourned the meeting at 12:26 PM.

Representative Ann Bollin, Chair

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