

**THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
ELECTIONS AND ETHICS**

Tuesday, September 30, 2014

12:00 p.m.

Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Elections and Ethics was called to order by **Representative Lisa Posthumus Lyons**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Posthumus Lyons, Cotter, Heise, Callton, Outman, Yonker, Haugh, Lane and Schor.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Representative Cotter moved to adopt the minutes of the **June 4, 2014**, meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chair Posthumus Lyons laid **HB 5667** before the committee:

HB 5667 (Lyons) Elections; voting equipment; selection of electronic voting system to be used in the county; clarify.

TESTIMONY

Chair Posthumus Lyons, sponsor of HB 5667, explained her bill to the committee.

Jan Roncelli, Bloomfield Township Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Tina Barton, City of Rochester Hills Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Stephanie McMillen, Plainfield Township Clerk, Kent County, testified in support of the bill.

Questions and discussion followed.

Mike Batterby and Chris Thomas, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, testified indicating no position on the bill.

Jay DeBoyer, St. Clair County Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Chair Lyons called Joe Rozell, Oakland County Director of Elections to testify.

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Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Township Association, testified in support of the bill.

Theresa Spencer, Lapeer County Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Ann Manary, Midland County Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Lauri Braid, Shiawassee County Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Delphine Oden, Wayne County Director of Elections, testified in support of the bill.

Cathy Garrett, Wayne County Clerk, testified in support of the bill.

Sharon Lemasters, Monroe County, testified in support of the bill.

Denise Sovey-Meyer, representing Berlin Charter Township, testified in support of the bill.

The following people submitted a card and/or written testimony but did not wish to speak:

Mary Perkins, representing Wayne County, supports the bill.

Chris Swope, Lansing City Clerk, supports the bill.

Suzie Forrest, representing Ash Township, Monroe County, supports the bill.

Henry Spencer, representing Oregon Township, supports the bill.

LaDeana Morr, representing LaSalle Township, supports the bill.

Michelle LaVoy, representing the City of Monroe, supports the bill.

Jolene Upchurch, Clerk, representing Erie Township, supports the bill.

Michele Geiermann, representing Ash Township, Monroe County, supports the bill.

Jane Schreiber, representing Berlin Charter Township, Monroe County, supports the bill.

Mike Bryanton former Ingham County Clerk supports the bill.

Korene Labadie, representing Homer Township, Midland County, supports the bill.

Gregory Patrick Mahar, representing Cathy Garrett, Wayne County Clerk, supports the bill.

Linda Langmesser, representing the City of Plymouth, indicated neutrality on the bill.

Nancy Anderson, representing the City of Plymouth, supports the bill.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

Representative Lisa Posthumus Lyons, Chair
House Standing Committee on Elections and Ethics

Malika Abdul-Basir

Committee Clerk

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1 Hour and 11 Minutes