



MICHIGAN  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE  
ON  
ELECTIONS

Wednesday, November 30, 2016

10:30 a.m.

Room 308 House Office Building

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Representatives Lyons, Leutheuser, Nesbitt, Jacobsen, Kesto, Driskell, Irwin and Hoadley.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**Representative Kesto** moved to adopt the minutes from the **Thursday, November 10, 2016**, meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**Chair Lyons** read in the letter from Speaker Cotter to Clerk Randall appointing Representative Nesbitt to the Elections Committee replacing Representative Heise.

**Chair Lyons** laid **HB 6066**, **HB 6067** and **HB 6068** before the committee:

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| HB 6066 (Lyons) | Elections; voting procedures; photo identification for voting purposes; define, and modify provisional ballot process.   |
| HB 6067 (Lyons) | Records; birth; fee waiver for search and issuance of certified copy of a live birth record or official statement indicating that the record cannot be located; provide for under certain circumstances. |
| HB 6068 (Lyons) | State; identification cards; fee waiver and procedure for issuance of state identification card as valid identification for voting purposes; modify under certain circumstances.                         |

**TESTIMONY**

**Chair Lyons**, sponsor of HB 6066, HB 6067 and HB 6068, explained her bills to the committee.

Questions and discussion followed.

**Marie Wicks**, Clerk of the City of East Lansing, testified in opposition to the bills.

**Mary Hollinrake**, representing Kent County clerks, testified in opposition to the bills.

Questions and discussion followed.

**Erica Peresman**, representing herself, testified in opposition to the bills.

Questions and discussion followed.

**Merissa Kovach**, representing the ACLU of Michigan, testified and submitted written testimony in opposition to the bills.

Questions and discussion followed.

**Patrick Schuh**, representing America Votes, testified and submitted written testimony in opposition to the bills.

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

Nathan Triplett, representing Equality Michigan, opposes the bills.

Mike Batterbee, representing the Michigan Secretary of State Office, did not indicate a position on the bills.

Margaret Mrdeza opposes the bills.

Carrie Knowlton from Kalamazoo opposes the bills.

Brianna Zamborsky opposes the bills.

Meredith Weingarden opposes the bills.

Lissa Engleman opposes the bills.

Ann Bollin opposes the bills.

Cami Estep opposes the bills.

Dr. Jennifer Steiner opposes the bills.

Kristina Johnson opposes the bills.

Julianne Day opposes the bills.

Constance Rabon opposes the bills.

Rebecca LaDuca opposes the bills.

Jennifer Brown opposes the bills.

Michael Sedlak, Clerk for Green Oak Charter Township, opposes the bills.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

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**Representative Lisa Lyons, Chair**  
**House Standing Committee on Elections**

Malika Abdul-Basir

Committee Clerk

517-373-7256

1 Hour and 16 Minutes