

HOUSE BILL No. 4053

January 27, 1999, Introduced by Rep. Callahan and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 388, entitled
"Michigan campaign finance act,"
(MCL 169.201 to 169.282) by adding section 47a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 47A. (1) A COMMITTEE SHALL NOT USE AN ENVELOPE TO MAIL
2 A PRINTED ITEM DESCRIBED IN SECTION 47(1) THAT CONTAINS ANY OF
3 THE FOLLOWING:
4 (A) A GRAPHIC OR PICTURE THAT RESEMBLES THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF
5 A GOVERNMENTAL UNIT OF THIS STATE, THE UNITED STATES, OR ANY
6 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE OR THE UNITED STATES.
7 (B) A RETURN ADDRESS THAT USES WORDS THAT INDICATE THAT THE
8 ENVELOPE IS FROM A GOVERNMENTAL UNIT OF THIS STATE, THE UNITED
9 STATES, OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE OR THE UNITED
10 STATES.

1 (C) WORDS, GRAPHICS, OR PICTURES ON ANY PART OF THE ENVELOPE
2 THAT REFER TO OR REPRESENT AN ABSENT VOTER BALLOT OR VOTE BY MAIL
3 BALLOT INDICATING THE BALLOT IS ENCLOSED OR IS THE SUBJECT OF THE
4 MAILING.

5 (2) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDE-
6 MEANOR PUNISHABLE, IF THE PERSON IS AN INDIVIDUAL, BY A FINE OF
7 NOT MORE THAN \$1,000.00 OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 90 DAYS
8 OR BOTH, OR, IF THE PERSON IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL, BY A FINE OF NOT
9 MORE THAN \$10,000.00.