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Senate Bill 812 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Senate Bill 813 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Senator Dave Robertson  
Committee: Elections and Government Reform

**CONTENT**

Senate Bill 812 (S-1) would do the following:

- Repeal and re-enact sections of the Michigan Election Law pertaining to the selection of electronic voting systems, absent voter counting boards, the use of emergency ballots, and recanvassing election returns, with several changes.
- Amend a provision of the Law concerning payment for electronic voting systems.
- Repeal sections of the Law pertaining to voting machines.

Under the Law, a county board of commissioners, a city or village legislative body, a township board, or a school board, upon the adoption and acquisition of an electronic voting system, must provide for the payment of the system in the same manner as provided for the payment for voting machines in the Law.

Under the bill, instead, if Federal or State funding were not available, a county board of commissioners, the legislative body of a city, or a township board, upon adopting and acquiring an electronic voting system, would have to provide for all or the balance of the payment of the system.

Senate Bill 813 would amend the sentencing guidelines in the Code of Criminal Procedure to replace the Michigan Compiled Law citations for two felonies under the Election Law, reflecting the repeal and re-enactment of sections by Senate Bill 812 (S-1).

MCL 168.794b et al. (S.B. 812)  
777.11d (S.B. 813)

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**FISCAL IMPACT**

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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