

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4698**

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

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2           (a) "Absent voter" is a voter who utilizes the process  
3 described in section 759.

4           (b) "Absent voter ballot" means a ballot that is issued to a  
5 voter through the ~~absentee~~**absent** voter process.

6           (c) "Ballot container" is defined in section 14a.

7           (d) "Business day" or "secular day" means a day that is not a  
8 Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

9           (e) "Clearly observable boundaries" is defined in section



1 654a.

2 (f) "Common carrier" means a company that transports mail, on  
3 reasonable request, on regular routes and at set rates.

4 (g) "Educational institution" means a public or private  
5 institution, or a separate school or department of a public or  
6 private institution, that is authorized by law or an accrediting  
7 body to grant or issue a diploma, degree, certificate, or license,  
8 or to grant approval to practice a profession or engage in an  
9 enterprise, and includes, but is not limited to, an academy, high  
10 school, college, university, community college, junior college,  
11 secondary school, extension course, or a business, nursing,  
12 professional, secretarial, technical, or vocational school.

13 (h) ~~(g)~~ "Election" means an election or primary election at  
14 which the electors of this state or of a subdivision of this state  
15 choose or nominate by ballot an individual for public office or  
16 decide a ballot question lawfully submitted to them.

17 (i) ~~(h)~~ "Election precinct" is defined in section 654.

18 (j) ~~(i)~~ "Fall" state and county conventions and "spring" state  
19 and county conventions are assigned meanings in section 596.

20 (k) ~~(j)~~ "General election" or "general November election"  
21 means the election held on the November regular election date in an  
22 even numbered year.

23 (l) ~~(k)~~ "Identification for election purposes" means, if issued  
24 to the individual presenting the card or document and if presented  
25 for voting purposes the name on the card or document sufficiently  
26 matches the individual's name in ~~his or her~~ **the individual's** voter  
27 registration record so as to accurately identify the individual as  
28 the registered elector, or if issued to the individual presenting  
29 the card or document and if presented for voter registration



1 purposes, any of the following:

2 (i) An operator's or chauffeur's license issued under the  
3 Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or an  
4 enhanced driver license issued under the enhanced driver license  
5 and enhanced official state personal identification card act, 2008  
6 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308.

7 (ii) An official state personal identification card issued  
8 under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, or an enhanced official  
9 state personal identification card issued under the enhanced driver  
10 license and enhanced official state personal identification card  
11 act, 2008 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308.

12 (iii) A current operator's or chauffeur's license issued by  
13 another state.

14 (iv) A current state personal identification card issued by  
15 another state.

16 (v) A current state government issued photo identification  
17 card.

18 (vi) A current United States passport or federal government  
19 issued photo identification card.

20 (vii) A current military photo identification card.

21 (viii) A current tribal photo identification card.

22 (ix) **A current photo identification card issued by a local**  
23 **government.**

24 (x) ~~(ix)~~ A current student photo identification card issued by  
25 a high school in this state, an institution of higher education in  
26 this state described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the  
27 state constitution of 1963, a junior college or community college  
28 established under section 7 of article VIII of the state  
29 constitution of 1963, or another accredited degree or certificate



1 ~~granting college or university, junior college, or community~~  
2 ~~college located in this state.~~ **an educational institution.**

3       **(m)** ~~(l)~~—"Immediate family" means an individual's father,  
4 mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, and spouse and a relative  
5 of any degree residing in the same household as that individual.