

# SENATE BILL No. 310

March 19, 2003, Introduced by Senators SWITALSKI, JACOBS, CLARKE, STAMAS and GOSCHKA and referred to the Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 797 (MCL 168.797), as amended by 1992 PA 8.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 797. (1) Not less than 30 minutes before the opening  
2 of the polls, the ~~inspectors of~~ election **inspectors** shall  
3 arrive at the polling place and prepare the polling place for  
4 voting. The ~~inspectors of~~ election **inspectors** shall determine  
5 that the correct ballot has been provided to the precinct by  
6 comparing the ballot provided with the sample ballot and any  
7 other documents provided to the precinct. The ~~inspectors of~~  
8 election **inspectors** shall complete required tests of the  
9 equipment of the electronic voting system and certify in writing  
10 that the equipment is operating properly. The written  
11 certification shall be on a form prescribed by the secretary of

1 state and shall include pertinent information regarding seal  
2 numbers, counters, and the operation and use of the particular  
3 equipment.

4       (2) If electronic tabulating equipment in use at the polling  
5 place can detect and inform an elector that the elector's ballot  
6 has been rejected, as part of the testing required under  
7 subsection (1), the election inspectors for the polling place  
8 shall ensure that this notification feature is operating properly  
9 before certifying the equipment under subsection (1). Unless a  
10 notification feature ceases to operate properly, that feature  
11 shall not be switched off or otherwise disabled. If a detection  
12 and notification is switched off or otherwise disabled, the  
13 election inspectors shall make a written record of the reason for  
14 and exact time of the inactivation.