

# HOUSE BILL No. 4746

June 13, 2017, Introduced by Reps. Marino, Brann, LaSata, Calley and Lilly and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 224 (MCL 168.224), as amended by 2012 PA 276.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 224. (1) To obtain the printing of the name of a person  
2 as candidate for nomination by a political party for the office of  
3 county auditor under a particular party heading upon the official  
4 primary ballots, there ~~shall~~ **MUST** be filed with the county clerk  
5 nominating petitions signed by a number of qualified and registered  
6 electors residing within the county as determined under section  
7 544f. Nominating petitions ~~shall~~ **MUST** be in the form prescribed in  
8 section 544c. ~~Until December 31, 2013, the county clerk shall~~  
9 ~~receive nominating petitions up to 4 p.m. of the twelfth Tuesday~~  
10 ~~before the August primary. Beginning January 1, 2014, the~~ **THE**  
11 county clerk shall receive nominating petitions up to 4 p.m. of the

1 fifteenth Tuesday before the August primary.

2 (2) To obtain the printing of the name of the candidate of a  
 3 political party under the particular party's heading upon the  
 4 primary election ballots in the various voting precincts of the  
 5 county, there may be filed by the candidate, in lieu of filing  
 6 nominating petitions, a **NONREFUNDABLE** filing fee of ~~\$100.00~~ **\$200.00**  
 7 to be paid to the county clerk. Payment of the fee and  
 8 certification of the name of the candidate paying the fee ~~shall be~~  
 9 **ARE** governed by the same provisions as in the case of nominating  
 10 petitions. The fee ~~shall~~ **MUST** be deposited in the general fund of  
 11 the county. ~~and shall be refunded to candidates who are nominated~~  
 12 ~~and to an equal number of candidates who received the next highest~~  
 13 ~~number of votes in the primary election. If 2 or more candidates~~  
 14 ~~tie in having the lowest number of votes allowing a refund, the sum~~  
 15 ~~of \$100.00 shall be divided among them. The deposits of all other~~  
 16 ~~defeated candidates and of candidates who withdraw or are~~  
 17 ~~disqualified shall be forfeited and the candidates shall be~~  
 18 ~~notified of the forfeitures. Deposits forfeited under this section~~  
 19 ~~shall be paid into and credited to the general fund of the county.~~  
 20 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
 21 after the date it is enacted into law.

22 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect  
 23 unless all of the following bills of the 99th Legislature are  
 24 enacted into law:

25 (a) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4745 (request no.  
 26 01059'17 \*\*\*).

27 (b) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4750 (request no.

1 03115'17).

2 (c) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4749 (request no.  
3 03117'17).

4 (d) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4748 (request no.  
5 03118'17).

6 (e) Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 4747 (request no.  
7 03119'17).