

**SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4567**

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled
"Michigan election law,"
by amending section 497 (MCL 168.497), as amended by 2018 PA 603.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 497. (1) An individual who is not registered to vote but
2 possesses the qualifications of an elector as provided in section
3 492 may apply for registration to the clerk of the county,
4 township, or city in which ~~he or she~~ **the individual** resides in
5 person, during the clerk's regular business hours, or by mail or
6 online until the fifteenth day before an election.

7 (2) An individual who is not registered to vote but possesses
8 the qualifications of an elector as provided in section 492 or an
9 individual who is not registered to vote in the city or township in



1 which ~~he or she~~ **the individual** is registering to vote may apply for
2 registration in person at the city or township clerk's office of
3 the city or township in which ~~he or she~~ **the individual** resides from
4 the fourteenth day before an election and continuing through the
5 day of the election. An individual who applies to register to vote
6 under this subsection must provide to the city or township clerk
7 proof of residency in that city or township. For purposes of this
8 subsection, "proof of residency" includes, subject to subsection
9 (3), any of the following:

10 (a) An operator's or chauffeur's license issued under the
11 Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923, or an
12 enhanced driver license issued under the enhanced driver license
13 and enhanced official state personal identification **card** act, 2008
14 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308.

15 (b) An official state personal identification card issued
16 under 1972 PA 222, MCL 28.291 to 28.300, or an enhanced official
17 state personal identification card issued under the enhanced driver
18 license and enhanced official state personal identification card
19 act, 2008 PA 23, MCL 28.301 to 28.308.

20 (3) If an applicant for voter registration under subsection
21 (2) does not have proof of residency as that term is defined in
22 subsection (2), the applicant may provide as ~~his or her~~ **the**
23 **applicant's** proof of residency any other form of identification for
24 election purposes as that term is defined in section 2 and 1 of the
25 following documents that contains the applicant's name and current
26 residence address:

27 (a) A current utility bill.

28 (b) A current bank statement.

29 (c) A current paycheck, government check, or other government



1 document.

2 (4) If an applicant for voter registration under subsection
3 (2) does not have identification for election purposes, the
4 applicant may register to vote if ~~he or she~~ **the applicant** signs an
5 affidavit indicating that the applicant does not have
6 identification for election purposes and the applicant provides 1
7 of the following documents that contains the applicant's name and
8 current residence address:

9 (a) A current utility bill.

10 (b) A current bank statement.

11 (c) A current paycheck, government check, or other government
12 document.

13 (5) Immediately after approving a voter registration
14 application, the city or township clerk shall provide to the
15 individual registering to vote a voter registration receipt that is
16 in a form as approved by the secretary of state. ~~If an individual
17 registers to vote in person 14 days or less before an election or
18 registers to vote on election day, and that applicant registers to
19 vote under subsection (3) or (4), the ballot of that elector must
20 be prepared as a challenged ballot as provided in section 727 and
21 must be counted as any other ballot is counted unless determined
22 otherwise by a court of law under section 747 or 748 or any other
23 applicable law.~~

24 (6) Except as otherwise provided in sections 500a to 500e and
25 509v, an application for registration must not be executed at a
26 place other than the office of the county, township, or city clerk
27 or a public place or places designated by the clerk or deputy
28 registrar for receiving registrations, but the clerk or deputy
29 registrar may receive an application wherever ~~he or she~~ **the clerk**



1 **or deputy registrar** may be. If a county, township, or city clerk
2 does not regularly keep ~~his or her~~ **the clerk's** office open daily
3 during certain hours, the clerk is not required to be at ~~his or her~~
4 **the clerk's** office for the purpose of receiving applications for
5 registration on a particular day nor during specific hours of a
6 day, except as provided in section 498. If an individual registers
7 to vote with the secretary of state during the 14 days before the
8 day of an election by mail, online, or by automatic voter
9 registration, as described in section 493a, the individual must be
10 given a notice on a form developed by the secretary of state
11 informing the individual that ~~he or she~~ **the individual** is not
12 eligible to vote in the next election unless ~~he or she~~ **the**
13 **individual** applies in person at ~~his or her~~ **the individual's** city or
14 township clerk's office as provided in subsection (2). Except as
15 provided in sections 500a to 500e, the provisions of this section
16 relating to registration apply.

