

# SENATE BILL No. 52

February 12, 1987, Introduced by Senators SCHWARZ, GEAKE, CROPSEY, DI NELLO, SMITH, KELLY, SEDERBURG, BARCIA, FAXON, ENGLER and WELBORN and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Veterans.

A bill to amend section 796a of Act No. 116 of the Public Acts of 1954, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
being section 168.796a of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 796a of Act No. 116 of the Public Acts  
2 of 1954, being section 168.796a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 796a. (1) ~~Prior to~~ BEFORE an election at which elec-  
5 tronic voting devices are used, the board of election commission-  
6 ers of the city, village, or township ~~—~~ shall have the voting  
7 devices prepared for the election. The board shall provide the  
8 election board of each voting precinct with voting devices,  
9 voting booths, ballot boxes, ballots, "write-in" ballots, and  
10 other records and supplies as required. ~~At least 1 voting~~

1 ~~device shall be provided for each 200 registered voters in each~~  
2 ~~precinct.~~

3       (2) Ballots shall be of the size, design, and stock suitable  
4 for processing by automatic data processing machines. Ballots  
5 shall have an attached numbered perforated stub, which shall be  
6 removed by an election inspector before the ballot is deposited  
7 in the ballot box. The name of the county or other local govern-  
8 mental unit, the designation and date of the election may be  
9 printed on the ballot card stub.

10       (3) AT LEAST 1 VOTING DEVICE SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR EACH 300  
11 REGISTERED VOTERS IN EACH PRECINCT. Unless the voting device  
12 enables the elector to mark his OR HER choices in secret, the  
13 board shall provide a sufficient number of voting booths for each  
14 voting district or precinct, which shall be of a size and design  
15 to enable the voter to make his OR HER ballot in secret.

16       (4) ~~Prior to~~ BEFORE an election the board of election com-  
17 missioners of the county, city, village, or township shall estab-  
18 lish 1 or more counting centers as needed for the counting of  
19 voted ballots.