

# HOUSE BILL NO. 6178

September 03, 2020, Introduced by Reps. Calley, Hall and Marino and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 509bb (MCL 168.509bb), as added by 1994 PA 441.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1           Sec. 509bb. (1) ~~A~~**Except as otherwise provided in this act, a**  
2 clerk shall not cancel or cause the cancellation of the  
3 registration of ~~a voter~~**an elector** from the registration record of  
4 the city or township based solely ~~upon~~**on** that registered ~~voter's~~



1 elector's failure to vote.

2 (2) For each registered elector who has not voted since the  
3 2000 general November election, the secretary of state shall, by  
4 March 31, 2021, send by forwardable mail both of the following to  
5 the elector:

6 (a) A postage prepaid and preaddressed return card on which  
7 the elector may verify his or her current address information.

8 (b) A notice that contains the following statement:

9 "The secretary of state has received information indicating  
10 the elector has not voted since the 2000 general November election.  
11 If the elector has not moved to another city or township and wishes  
12 to remain registered to vote, the elector must complete and return  
13 the enclosed card to the secretary of state with a postmark of 15  
14 days or more before the date of the next election. If the enclosed  
15 card is not completed and returned to the secretary of state with a  
16 postmark of 15 days or more before the date of the next election,  
17 the elector may be required to affirm his or her current address  
18 before being permitted to vote. Further, if the elector does not  
19 engage in any voter initiated activity within the period beginning  
20 on the date of the notice and ending on the first business day  
21 immediately following the second general November election that is  
22 held after the date on the notice, the registration of the elector  
23 will be canceled."

24 (3) If a notice sent under subsection (2) is returned to the  
25 secretary of state by the post office as undeliverable, the  
26 secretary of state shall identify the registration record of that  
27 elector as challenged as provided in this act. If the elector does  
28 not engage in any voter initiated activity within the period  
29 beginning on the date of the notice and ending on the first



1 business day immediately following the second general November  
2 election that is held after the date on the notice, the secretary  
3 of state shall cancel the registration of that elector and notify  
4 the appropriate city or township clerk of the cancellation.

