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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
ELECTIONS AND ETHICS

Thursday, February 8, 2018 10:30 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Elections and Ethics was called to order by Chairman Miller.

Chairman Miller laid the committee at ease, the time being 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Miller called the committee back to order, the time being 10:35 a.m.

Members present: Reps. Miller, Calley, Kesto, Garcia, Webber, Lilly, Guerra, Zemke, Moss.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Lilly moved to adopt the minutes of January 25, 2018. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Miller laid the following bills before the committee:

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| HB 4745 (Marino) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions for the office of state senator or state representative; increase, and make nonrefundable. |
| HB 4746 (Marino) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions for the office of county auditor; increase, and make nonrefundable. |
| HB 4747 (LaSata) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nomination petitions for township offices; allow, and make nonrefundable. |
| HB 4748 (Calley) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions for township offices; allow, and make nonrefundable. |
| HB 4749 (Brann) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions for the office of county road commissioner; increase, and make nonrefundable. |
| HB 4750 (Lilly) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions for county offices; increase, and make nonrefundable. |
| HB 4809 (Marino) | Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee for the office of county commissioner; increase, and make nonrefundable. |

HB 4810 (Kosowski) Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee for the office of county commissioner; increase, and make nonrefundable.

HB 4823 (Webber) Elections; candidates; candidate filing fee in lieu of nominating petitions for township library board members; increase.

Representative Marino, Representative Brann, and Representative LaSata testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Tom Frazier, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in support of HB 4747, HB 4748 and HB 4823. Questions and discussion followed.

Barb Byrum, Ingham County Clerk, and Justin Roebuck, Ottawa County Clerk, both representing the Michigan Association of County Clerks, testified in support of the bills.

Chris Jones, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, submitted a card in support of HB 4745, HB 4746, HB 4749, HB 4750, HB 4809, and HB 4810, but did not wish to speak.

Mike Batterbee, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, submitted a card with a neutral position on the bills, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Miller adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:34 a.m.

Representative Aaron Miller, Chair_____

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