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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
ELECTIONS AND ETHICS

Thursday, March 1, 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.

Members present: Reps. Miller, Calley, Kesto, Garcia, Webber, Lilly, Guerra, Zemke, Moss.
Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Garcia moved to adopt the minutes of February 15, 2018. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Miller laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5644 (Barrett) Elections; absent voters; procedure to "spoil" an absent voter ballot; provide for, and require use of paper ballots for tabulation.

Representative Barrett testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Kieran Marion, representing the Michigan Department of Secretary of State, submitted a card in support of the bill and came forward to address questions. Discussion followed.

Merissa Kovach, representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Chairman Miller laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5646 (Calley) Elections; qualified voter file; maintenance of the statewide qualified voter file; require the secretary of state to check against the United States Social Security Administration's death master file and require the secretary of state to participate in multistate voter registration verification programs.

Representative Calley testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Kieran Marion, representing the Michigan Department of Secretary of State, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Chairman Miller laid the committee at ease, the time being 10:44 a.m.

Vice-Chair Calley took the gavel and called the committee back to order, the time being 10:45 a.m.

Vice-Chair Calley laid the following bill before the committee:

HB 5669 (Miller) Elections; voting procedures; identification for election purposes;
define.

Chairman Miller testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Kieran Marion, representing the Michigan Department of Secretary of State, submitted a card in support of the bill, and joined Chairman Miller to address questions. Discussion followed.

There being no further business before the committee, Vice-Chair Calley adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:59 a.m.

Representative Aaron Miller, Chair_____

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