

# SENATE BILL NO. 697

October 30, 2025, Introduced by Senators POLEHANKI, SINGH and WOJNO and referred to  
Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A bill to amend 1954 PA 116, entitled  
"Michigan election law,"  
by amending section 544f (MCL 168.544f), as added by 1999 PA 218.

## **THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 544f. The number of signatures of qualified and  
2       registered electors necessary for nominating petitions under this  
3       act, based ~~upon~~**on** the population of the district involved  
4       according to the most recent federal **decennial** census, is as  
5       follows:

| 1  |                                                              | Partisan |        | Non Partisan |        | Qualifying        |                   |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------|--------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2  |                                                              | Petition |        | Petition     |        | Petition          |                   |
| 3  | Population                                                   | Min      | Max    | Min          | Max    | Min               | Max               |
| 4  | 0 - 9,999                                                    | 3        | 10     | 6            | 20     | 9                 | 30                |
| 5  | 10,000 - 24,999                                              | 20       | 50     | 40           | 100    | 60                | 150               |
| 6  | 25,000 - 49,999                                              | 50       | 100    | 100          | 200    | 150               | 300               |
| 7  | 50,000 - 74,999                                              | 100      | 200    | 200          | 400    | 300               | 600               |
| 8  | 75,000 - 99,999                                              | 200      | 400    | 400          | 800    | 600               | 1,200             |
| 9  | 100,000 - 199,999                                            | 300      | 500    | 600          | 1,000  | 900               | 1,500             |
| 10 | 200,000 - 499,999                                            | 500      | 1,000  | 1,000        | 2,000  | 1,500             | 3,000             |
| 11 | 500,000 - 999,999                                            | 1,000    | 2,000  | 2,000        | 4,000  | 3,000             | 6,000             |
| 12 | 1,000,000 - 1,999,999                                        | 2,000    | 4,000  | 4,000        | 8,000  | 6,000             | 12,000            |
| 13 | 2,000,000 - 4,999,999                                        | 4,000    | 8,000  | 6,200        | 12,000 | 12,000            | 24,000            |
| 14 | Over 5 million (statewide)                                   | 15,000   | 30,000 | 30,000       | 60,000 | <del>30,000</del> | <del>60,000</del> |
| 15 |                                                              |          |        |              |        | <b>15,000</b>     | <b>30,000</b>     |
| 16 | Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January |          |        |              |        |                   |                   |
| 17 | 1, 2027.                                                     |          |        |              |        |                   |                   |