

RESOLUTION
Support of Senate Bill 703
Amend 1976 Public Act 388

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 703 would amend 1976 Public Act 388, entitled "Michigan Campaign Finance Act" by amending section 57 (MCL 169.257), as amended by 2015 Public Act 269; and

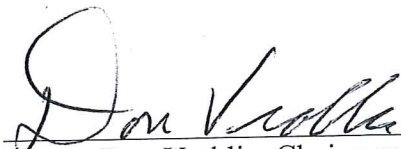
WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would remove the unreasonable restriction that was included in 2015 PU 269, that being the inability to discuss ballot questions during the period of 60 days before the election in which the ballot question will appear; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 571 as it was presented to Governor Snyder, which included that a public body shall not discuss local ballot issues during the period 60 days prior to the election in which the issue appears on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, in signing the bill, Governor Snyder called for a "trailer" measure to clarify what is proper and improper communications; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Branch County Board of Commissioners support Senate Bill 703 to remove this restriction on how County officials communicate with their constituents about local ballot questions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Snyder and the Michigan Association of Counties.



Don Vrablic, Chairman
Branch County Board of Commissioners



Teresa Kubasiak, County Clerk

Date: 3/11/16

