

Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 05-0979/2		Introduction Number AB-196	
Subject Registration of write-in candidates; recording of write-in votes			
Fiscal Effect			
State:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	
Local:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> School Districts		<input type="checkbox"/> Others	
		<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
Fund Sources Affected		Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.510			
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This legislation permits election inspectors to list votes cast for a write-in candidate as "Scattering", unless the candidate files a declaration of candidacy. If a write-in candidate files a declaration of candidacy up until 5 pm on the day preceding an election, election inspectors and boards of canvassers are required to record the votes. In races where no candidates are listed on the ballot or a write-in candidate is running against a deceased candidate, the election inspectors and boards of canvassers are required to record the votes for a write-in candidate. There are no direct costs for local governments. There will be many more instances when election inspectors will not have to record the names of write-in candidates resulting in less record keeping at the polling place. The Elections Board will incur one time costs for preparing, printing and distributing information materials, manuals and training materials. Municipal clerks will have to revise training materials and instruct election inspectors about the change.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None