

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	07-0971/1	Introduction Number	AB-0158	Estimate Type	Original
Description Relating to: the deadline and procedure for voter registration and the determination of residency for voting purposes					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill has no direct fiscal estimate on the Department of Transportation. However, the bill does make this state subject to the federal "motor voter" law, which could have a significant fiscal effect. The federal motor voter law requires that each driver's license and identification card application (including renewal) serve as an application for voter registration, and that any change of address submitted for license and identification card purposes be considered address changes for voter registration. This bill does not implement federal motor voter law. Separate legislation would be required to enable the state to satisfy the requirements of federal motor voter law.

This fiscal estimate is intended to provide a cost estimate of complying with the federal motor voter law, which enactment of this bill will require. The costs rest on the Department's assumptions of how it might implement the federal motor voter requirements and is based on known transaction volumes and labor costs and estimated labor time required to fulfill the federal mandates. Any legislation implementing the federal motor voter law could change the fiscal estimate below and will carry its own, more accurate, fiscal estimate.

BILL SUMMARY

- Repeals poll registration and triggers the need under Federal law for the state to implement "National Voter Registration", commonly referred to as Motor Voter.
- Sets a deadline for voter registration of 14 days prior to the election.

ASSUMPTIONS

- Requires that each motor vehicle driver's license or identification card application, including any renewal application, will serve as an application for voter registration.
- Requires that any form submitted for the change of address for a driver license or identification card will serve as a change of address for voter registration, unless the registrant declares otherwise.
- The application form for driver licenses or identification cards and the renewal forms for driver licenses and identification cards will be updated to include information about registering to vote.
- If an applicant indicates on the application that they want to register the driver license examiner will then provide a pre-filled voter registration form. The applicant will complete the form and the examiner will sign it.
- Every application made to DMV by a person of voting age will need to be screened.
- DMV will forward voter registration forms and changes of address, in paper, to the State Elections Board to be processed.
- Voter registration at DMV offices will only be done in the course of a driver license or identification card application. Stand-alone voter registration will not be an option.
- All DMV field station employees will require additional training to perform voter registration duties. The training would be consistent and focus on the registration form and basic voter registration requirements.
- DMV assumes that it is not a "Voter Registration Agency" as defined in the Federal law.

CONCLUSION

On-going costs:

\$731,570 FTE costs (19.2 positions) to account for increased driver license and identification card transaction time at field offices.

\$16,567 for printing voter registration forms for use at field station offices.

BASIS FOR CONCLUSION

On-going costs:

-Additional transaction time will be incurred for all driver license and identification card transactions for customers of voting age. This time includes the screening of all driver license and identification card applications, answering questions about voter registration and requirements, assisting the applicant with the completion of the voter registration form, signing the form, and forwarding the form to the Elections Board. - Additional transaction time was estimated at 90 seconds, DMV performs 1,366,369 driver license and identification card transactions at its field offices annually.

-97% of driver license and identification card holders are of voting age. $1,366,369 \times .97 = 1,325,378$

$-1,325,378 \times 90 \text{ sec's} / 3600 \text{ seconds per hour} / 1725 \text{ hours per year} = 19.2 \text{ FTE}$

$-19.2 \text{ FTE} @ \$38,083 = \$731,570$

-DMV will require voter registration forms at its field offices at an estimate of \$1250 per 100,000 forms printed.

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Long-Range Fiscal Implications

See above.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2007 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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 Updated
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 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$731,600		\$
(FTE Position Changes)	(19.2 FTE)		
State Operations - Other Costs	16,600		
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$748,200		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S	748,200		
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev	
GPR Taxes	\$	\$	
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$	
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
	State	Local	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$748,200	\$	
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$	
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