Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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LRB Number 09-2234/1	Introduction Number AB-0541					
Description Substitute address for a victim of domestic abuse						
Fiscal Effect						
State: No State Fiscal Effect Indeterminate Increase Existing Appropriations Decrease Existing Appropriations Appropriations Permissive Mandatory Appropriations Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Revenues Decrease Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget Decrease Costs Who Decrease Costs S. Types of Local Government Units Affected Towns Village Counties Counties Others School WTCS Districts						
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS						
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Fiscal Estimate – Office of the Secretary of State 2009 Assembly Bill 541 Relating to substitute addresses for victims of domestic abuse Address Confidentiality Program - ACP)

Based on research of similar programs currently operating in other states, a typical annual budget is \$200,000 to \$300,000 with a minimum of 2 to 3 dedicated FTE.

Separate and secure office(s), computers and information systems are required to collect/maintain/protect related data and the staff who are responsible for program management. In some states, the ACP office is routinely physically moved in order to maintain an undisclosed location, resulting in on-going relocation costs. *

In a number of states, such programs are assigned to the Office of the Secretary of State. However, research indicates that an increasing number are being assigned to the Office of the Attorney General, the Department of Justice and/or the Office of Victim Advocacy as such entities are better equipped to administer these programs due to having attorneys on staff and experience/expertise working with criminal law and victims rights and services.

* This estimate is based on research of similar programs currently in operation in other states, including interviews with program managers in the states of Colorado, Minnesota and Washington.

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Long-Range Fiscal Implications