

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	23-4305/1	Introduction Number	SB-0625	Estimate Type	Original
Description town clerk and treasurer appointments, publication requirements for proposed budget summary and notice of public hearing, and discontinuance of highways					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill makes changes to various town procedures. Under the bill, a town of any size to move from an elected clerk, treasurer, or combined clerk and treasurer position to an appointed one by a vote of the electors at a town meeting, and a town may move to an appointed clerk, treasurer, or combined clerk and treasurer position during an elected term when there is a vacancy in the position. With respect to proposed budgets, the bill eliminates the limitation on how towns must provide the summary and notice, and instead allows towns to post the proposed budget and notice in three locations or post it in one location and on a website maintained by the municipality. The bill also eliminates travel exception from consideration by a town board in determining whether a highway has ceased to be a public highway.

Under the bill, there is no local fiscal effect as the various town procedure changes would not impact town revenues or expenditures.

The department does not have any administrative costs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications