

Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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LRB Number 21-5965/1	Introduction Number SB-940
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Description
 comparison of voter information on the state's official voter registration list with information maintained by the Department of Transportation

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input checked="" 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	

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	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under this bill, no later than 10 days after the date of each original voter registration or the date a registered voter makes changes to his or her registration, the Elections Commission (WEC) must compare the voter's personally identifiable information on the official registration list with the personally identifiable information maintained by DOT.

The WEC currently has a system in place to compare information from the voter database with Department of Transportation (DOT) data and could add the additional fields required by this bill to that process. Altering the existing data sharing infrastructure with DOT is not expected to carry significant IT costs for WEC.

Any mailing generated by these new requirements would consist of a single sheet printed letter that would be enclosed in a standard envelope and mailed to the voter. A bulk first-class mailing for a single sheet document generally costs \$.66 per piece (\$.51 postage; \$.05 envelope; \$.10 per printed letter). It is currently unknown how many mailings would be required as a result of this change, but each situation identified by the additional matching requirements would take staff time to review the data, resubmit any corrections and, ultimately, prepare the letter for mailing.

This bill does allow for the responsibility of reviewing non-matches and sending mailings to be carried out on either the state or municipal level so those costs would need to be absorbed into either the state or local election budgets.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications