Present law provides for rules and procedures for elections during a state of emergency. Present law requires that in the case of a polling place change the Clerk of Court, along with the Secretary of State (SOS), give adequate notice of the change in location to each voter registered to vote at that location. Proposed law requires the SOS to also post a list of all changed polling locations on the SOS website.

Proposed law also outlines procedures following a declaration of emergency by the Governor including taking the necessary action to ensure the successful execution of the election.

Proposed law will result in a one-time, minimal increase in expenditures for the Department of State to make adjustments to the Secretary of State’s website. Proposed law requires that in addition to providing notices as described in present law, the Secretary of State must also post a list of all changed polling locations on the website. The department estimates it will cost $8,000 ($100/hour x 80 hours) to complete the necessary changes to the website, which can be absorbed into their operating budget.

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.