

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 281** HLS 22RS 48

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Civil Penalties		

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

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Provides relative to the assessment of penalties for failure to timely file required reports

Proposed law changes the maximum penalty **from two thousand dollars to one thousand dollars when the penalty is sixty dollars per day**, for any candidate for district office and any treasurer or chairman of any political committee designated as a principal campaign committee or subsidiary committee of such a candidate.

Proposed law changes the maximum penalty **from one thousand dollars to five hundred dollars when the penalty is forty dollars per day**, for any candidate for all other offices and any treasurer or chairman of any political committee designated as a principal campaign committee or subsidiary committee of such a candidate.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
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<b>Annual Total</b>						

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

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

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law may decrease SGF revenues because the maximum penalty imposed for failure to timely and accurately file certain reports to Ethics Administration would decrease from \$2,000 to \$1,000 for the \$60 per day penalty and for other office candidates the maximum penalty would decrease from \$1,000 to \$500 for the \$40 per day penalty.

NOTE: Penalties and fines imposed for the violation of these provisions are considered income not available to the Ethics Administration; thereby, accrue to the State General Fund. The 3 year average exceeds \$240,000 annually.

**For Informational Purposes**

The three-year average of reports not filed or timely filed, the number of Campaign Finance reports not filed or not timely filed was approximately 890.

Senate  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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