## DIGEST

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Abstract: Imposes an additional candidate \$25 qualifying fee for an election and provides for the deposit of the additional fee into the Campaign Sign Recycling Fund

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes the Campaign Sign Recycling Fund as a special fund in the state treasury. Directs the state treasurer to invest the monies in the same manner as the state general fund. Interest earned on investment of monies shall be deposited into the state general fund. Unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> imposes an additional \$25 fee for each candidate qualifying for an election in the state. Monies collected from the additional fee shall be deposited into the Campaign Sign Recycling Fund. Monies in the fund shall be appropriated to the secretary of state for the recycling of political campaign signs.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the secretary of state to promulgate rules necessary for the implementation of a program to recycle political campaign signs.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action; effective in part Jan. 1, 2026 (Note: See Act No. 1 of the 24 1<sup>st</sup> E.S.).

(Amends R.S. 18:1254(A) and 1280.22(A); Adds R.S. 18:454 and 464(B)(5)).