

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 614** HLS 16RS 358

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action: **W/ SEN FLOOR AMD**

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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| Date: May 17, 2016 | 11:19 AM | Author: MORENO |
| Dept./Agy.: Secretary of State | | Analyst: Zachary Rau |
| Subject: Electronic Transmission of Absentee Ballots | | |

VOTERS/VOTING

EGF NO IMPACT See Note

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Provides for the electronic transmission of voting materials and procedures and requirements for voting absentee using such materials

Proposed law requires registrars of voters to electronically transmit a ballot, certificate, and waiver of right to a secret ballot to a voter eligible to vote absentee pursuant to present law and is also unable to vote absentee by mail without assistance because of a disability. Proposed law further provides that voters first mark each ballot according to the instructions, either by hand or electronically, and print the ballot along with the accompanying documents. Proposed law limits persons who are eligible for the online ballot to those who have previously made an application to a registrar of voters in persons and provided an email address to a registrar.

| EXPENDITURES | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| State Gen. Fd. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Agy. Self-Gen. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Ded./Other | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Local Funds | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | \$0 |
| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

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| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law would allow all persons who qualify for an absentee ballot and are unable to absentee vote by mail without assistance to receive one electronically. The Secretary of State currently provides this service to members of the U.S. military and citizens residing outside of the United States and the proposed legislation expands this service with no associated material costs.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate Dual Referral Rules House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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