



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 1** HLS 251ES 7

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

Date: October 23, 2025 12:28 PM	Author: BEAULLIEU
Dept./Agy.: Secretary of State	
Subject: Special Election Dates for Spring 2026	Analyst: Kimberly Fruge

ELECTIONS/DATES

OR SEE FISC NOTE

Provides for election dates for certain elections in 2026 (Item #1)

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Proposed law moves the April 18, 2026, election to May 16, 2026, and moves the May 30, 2026, election to June 27, 2026; provides for date changes for various deadlines including the qualifying period, nominating period, and campaign finance disclosure deadlines; and changes the requirement that a portion of qualified signatures for nominating petitions for U.S. Senate and U.S. Representatives candidates comes from within the congressional district to within the state.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	\$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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The Secretary of State’s office has indicated that moving these elections to new dates will increase workload for elections and IT staff. The only potential cost associated with moving the elections is editing and reprinting election and educational materials that have already been completed. The department has indicated that any such cost will be minimal and can be absorbed within its operating budget.

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

- ☐ 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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