

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 563** HLS 16RS 292

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Allows Candidates to Have "Independent" Listed on Ballots	

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Allows a candidate to have the word "independent" placed on the ballot in lieu of an indication of political party affiliation

Proposed law allows candidates to choose a listing of "Independent" in lieu of a party affiliation on electoral ballots.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	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	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed law will create one-time expenditures for the Secretary of State of an indeterminable amount. The Secretary of State estimates the proposed legislation would cost approximately \$20,000 in one-time programming costs related to implementing the changes associated with candidates and ballots. The Secretary of State will contract these expenses to GCR Inc. at a rate of \$100 per hour and an estimated a total of 200 man-hours needed to complete this project. To the extent this project requires fewer man-hours, the project's estimated total expenditures may be less than \$20,000. The Secretary of State anticipates being able to absorb the costs associated with the proposed legislation into the amount of hours built into its FY 17 base budget for the contract with GCR Inc. However, to the extent numerous pieces of legislation are enacted that require GCR Inc.'s services, the Secretary of State may require additional resources.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S} | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | |

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