

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 5165-02  
Bill No.: HB 1875  
Subject: Secretary of State: Elections, Ballots  
Type: Original  
Date: March 27, 2006

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0 or Unknown</b>	<b>\$0 or Unknown</b>	<b>\$0 or Unknown</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of the Secretary of State - Elections Division** assume no fiscal impact to their office.

Officials of the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission** assume their would be significant cost savings to their election board. Officials estimate total cost saving for a 4 year period including use of DREs, would range from \$1,887,100 to \$2,830,600.

Officials of the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** stated they will be using partially, a "touch-screen system". Officials stated there would be no ballots in areas where they would be used. Officials assume this bill would not outlaw this system of voting. Officials stated this proposal could have a fiscal impact, however, it would be difficult to assess. Officials stated this proposal bases the number of ballots on previous voter turn-out. Officials assume this could cause the need for fewer ballots.

Officials of the **Platte County Board of Election Commission** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Jasper County Clerk's Office** assume no fiscal impact.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

**Oversight** sent response requests to the Election Commissions of St. Louis City, Jackson County, Clay County, and the Election Authorities in Boone County, Franklin County, Greene County and many other counties and have received no response.

**Oversight** assumes fiscal impact to election authorities, on a statewide basis, would be either no fiscal impact or a positive unknown due to cost savings. Oversight will show fiscal impact as \$0 or Unknown.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009

**COUNTIES AND CITIES ELECTION  
AUTHORITIES**

Savings to Election Authorities

From not having to print so many ballots.    \$0 or Unknown    \$0 or Unknown    \$0 or Unknown

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT**                    **\$0 or Unknown**    **\$0 or Unknown**    **\$0 or Unknown**

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill requires each election authority to provide polling places with at least one and one-third times the number of ballots that were cast at the polling place during an election held two years prior to the current election.

DESCRIPTION (continued)

For general elections, the authority must provide at least one and one-third times the number of ballots cast at the polling place during an election held four years prior to the current election. Currently, election authorities must provide polling places with 55 ballots for each 50 and fraction of 50 registered voters.


This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of the Secretary of State - Elections Division  
St. Louis County Board of Election Commission  
Kansas City Board of Election Commission  
Platte County Board of Election Commission  
Jasper County Clerk

NOT RESPONDING

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