HB 1043 -- INITIATIVE PETITIONS

SPONSOR: McGaugh

This bill requires petition proponents to pay a \$500 fee for signature verification costs which is refundable if the petition qualifies for the ballot within two years of the preparation of a summary statement by the Office of the Secretary of State. The fee may also be waived if the petition proponent certifies that they are unable to pay. Petitions must be filed no earlier than January 31 of the year following a general election and no later than nine months prior to a general election.

Petition circulators shall identify by button whether or not they are compensated and they may not be compensated based upon the number of signatures collected.

This bill is similar to HCS for SB 389 (2017).