

# Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

<b>Bill Number:</b> 5209 SB	<b>Title:</b> Universal civic duty voting
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## Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2023-25		2025-27		2027-29	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts						
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available					
Local Gov. Total						

## Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27				2027-29			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Office of the Secretary of State	.0	0	0	0	.0	114,400	114,400	114,400	.0	107,200	107,200	107,200
Office of the Secretary of State	In addition to the estimate above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see individual fiscal note.											
Department of Licensing	Fiscal note not available											
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>114,400</b>	<b>114,400</b>	<b>114,400</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>107,200</b>	<b>107,200</b>	<b>107,200</b>

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available								
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Office of the Secretary of State	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Licensing	Fiscal note not available								
<b>Total \$</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts									
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available								
Local Gov. Total									

## Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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# Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

<b>Bill Number:</b> 5209 SB	<b>Title:</b> Universal civic duty voting	<b>Agency:</b> 085-Office of the Secretary of State
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## Part I: Estimates

**No Fiscal Impact**

### Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

### Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
<b>Account</b>					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	0	0	114,400	107,200
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	114,400	107,200

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

### Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

*The cash receipts and expenditure estimates on this page represent the most likely fiscal impact. Factors impacting the precision of these estimates, and alternate ranges (if appropriate), are explained in Part II.*

Check applicable boxes and follow corresponding instructions:

- If fiscal impact is greater than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete entire fiscal note form Parts I-V.
- If fiscal impact is less than \$50,000 per fiscal year in the current biennium or in subsequent biennia, complete this page only (Part I).
- Capital budget impact, complete Part IV.
- Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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## Part II: Narrative Explanation

### II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

*Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.*

Section 2 requires every person who is eligible to vote to register to vote using one of the methods prescribed in this bill. Waivers from the obligation to vote are allowed. The Secretary of State shall create a form to allow persons to waive the obligation to register to vote.

Section 3 amends current law and requires that each registered voter return a ballot for each primary and general election.

Sections 4, 5, 6, and 7 provides means by which an eligible voter declines to register to vote.

Section 9 requires the top of each ballot to include the following statement “You may leave any portion or the entirety of this ballot blank. However, you are required by law to submit this ballot to your local county elections office by Election Day.”

Section 10 requires the Secretary, before the 2026 primary election, to implement a plan for expanded voter registration in the state, including a statewide education plan on the implementation of universal civic duty voting. The Secretary shall report to the legislature the details of the plan and any funding required for implementation by January 1, 2025.

Section 11 requires county election officials, in coordination with the Secretary, to mail to each household and provide to each agency that provides voter registration a notice regarding the changes to the registration and voting requirements. These notifications must be provided by February 1, 2026.

### II. B - Cash receipts Impact

*Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.*

### II. C - Expenditures

*Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.*

Section 2 of the bill creates a new form that needs to be created, translated, printed, and distributed. Based on recent printing costs, we anticipate that it will cost \$50,000 to print 500,000 forms annually. We believe we have enough staff to create the form. We'd use existing vendors to perform translation and community review. Storage and fulfillment would be coordinated with Department of Enterprise Services and those costs vary monthly with an estimated monthly cost of \$300 (\$3,600 per year).

Currently we are required under section 203 of the voting rights act (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10503) to provide voter registration materials in Spanish, Chinese, and Vietnamese in addition to English. We also publish the state voter registration form in 24 languages to match languages offered by any state agency that is designed as a voter registration assistance agency. This is so that a voter registration form can be included with that agencies materials in the language preferred by the individual. We assume this form would be also translated into the same languages. Translation estimates are \$300 per language.

Translation costs of \$7,200 (\$300 x 24) would be incurred in SFY26 only. Storage and fulfillment costs of \$7,200, and printing costs of \$50,000 would be annual and ongoing.

Section 10 requires the Secretary to work with community partners to ensure the widest possible dissemination of information on the implementation of universal civic duty voting, and report to the legislature the details of this plan and any

funding required to implement it. OSOS assumes working with community partners on development of the plan would be consistent with, and part of, existing ongoing efforts to encourage voting, therefore no cost to develop a plan. However, any additional costs for implementing the plan are indeterminate because the plan is yet to be developed.

**Part III: Expenditure Detail**

**III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures**

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	0	0	0	114,400	107,200
<b>Total \$</b>			0	0	0	114,400	107,200

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose**

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years					
A-Salaries and Wages					
B-Employee Benefits					
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services				114,400	107,200
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays					
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
<b>Total \$</b>	0	0	0	114,400	107,200

In addition to the estimates above, there are additional indeterminate costs and/or savings. Please see discussion.

**III. C - Operating FTE Detail:** *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

**III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)**

NONE

**Part IV: Capital Budget Impact**

**IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures**

NONE

**IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose**

NONE

**IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout**

*Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.*

NONE

**IV. D - Capital FTE Detail:** *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

**Part V: New Rule Making Required**

*Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.*