

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 5414 SB	Title: Elections law violation info
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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	No fiscal impact					
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	1.5	241,917	241,917	241,917	1.5	241,917	241,917	241,917	1.5	241,917	241,917	241,917
Total \$	1.5	241,917	241,917	241,917	1.5	241,917	241,917	241,917	1.5	241,917	241,917	241,917

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	No fiscal impact								
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
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

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	No fiscal impact								
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 5414 SB	Title: Elections law violation info	Agency: 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
FTE Staff Years	1.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	80,639	161,278	241,917	241,917	241,917
Total \$	80,639	161,278	241,917	241,917	241,917

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.

Would require a statement on the inside cover of the voters pamphlet a warning that clearly informs readers:

- It is illegal to vote if he or she is not a United States Citizen.
- It is illegal to vote if she or he has been convicted of a felony and has not had is or her voting rights restored.
- It is illegal to cast a ballot or sign a declaration on behalf of another voter

The statement must also contain a list of voting violations punishable by felony under RCW 29A.84.130, and information on how to contact the Secretary of State’s office to report incidences of voter fraud and other election law violations.

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.

The change to the Voters’ Pamphlet is assumed to appear on the insider of the front cover and not creating a new page.

The addition of contact information to report suspected incidences of voter fraud and other election law violations is assumed to increase calls to the voter hotline with complicated questions that will require call routing to a devoted and trained team of FTEs to assist with educating callers on the legal steps required to challenge voter registration or to contest an election.

Section 1(8) is likely to increase the number of calls the Office of the Secretary of State (OSOS) receives through the Voter Hotline, especially for complicated matters such as “suspected incidences” Therefore we’d spend additional time to educate those callers with the proper steps for challenging voter registration and other proper election challenges. These longer support calls would impact the ability for OSOS to answer other calls on the Voter Hotline. OSOS estimates a larger impact in even-year elections. We estimate additional staffing needs of 2 FTE Office Assistant 1s in even years, and 1 FTE Office Assistant 1 in odd years.

Staffing costs would be \$80,639 to cover odd year elections (the calendar year 23 election would be State Fiscal Year 2024); and \$161,278 in even year elections.

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	80,639	161,278	241,917	241,917	241,917
Total \$			80,639	161,278	241,917	241,917	241,917

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	1.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
A-Salaries and Wages	39,852	79,704	119,556	119,556	119,556
B-Employee Benefits	21,919	43,838	65,757	65,757	65,757
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services	5,850	11,700	17,550	17,550	17,550
G-Travel					
J-Capital Outlays	2,500	5,000	7,500	7,500	7,500
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements	10,518	21,036	31,554	31,554	31,554
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Total \$	80,639	161,278	241,917	241,917	241,917

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

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Office Asstant I	39,852	1.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
Total FTEs		1.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5

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.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

Department of Commerce

Bill Number: 5414 SB

Title: Elections law violation info

Part I: Jurisdiction-Location, type or status of political subdivision defines range of fiscal impacts.

Legislation Impacts:

- Cities:
- Counties:
- Special Districts:
- Specific jurisdictions only:
- Variance occurs due to:

Part II: Estimates

- No fiscal impacts.
- Expenditures represent one-time costs:
- Legislation provides local option:
- Key variables cannot be estimated with certainty at this time:

Estimated revenue impacts to:

None

Estimated expenditure impacts to:

None

Part III: Preparation and Approval

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OFM Review: Gwen Stamey	Phone: (360) 790-1166	Date: 02/09/2023

Part IV: Analysis

A. SUMMARY OF BILL

Description of the bill with an emphasis on how it impacts local government.

Sec. 1 amends RCS 29A.32.031 and 2020 c 208 s 11.

Sec. 1 (8) would add a warning to voter pamphlets. Specifically, the inside cover of the voter pamphlets distributed under RCW 29A.32.010 must add a warning that clearly states: a) it is illegal to vote if a person is not a United States citizen; it is illegal to vote if a person has been convicted of a felony and has not had their voting rights restored; it is illegal to cast a ballot or sign a ballot declaration on behalf of another voter; b) the list of voter violations punishable by felony under RCW 29A.94.130; and c) contact information for the Office of the Secretary of State in order to report suspected incidences of voter fraud and other election law violations. This warning shall be in addition to any other information required by law or the secretary of state.

B. SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE IMPACTS

Expenditure impacts of the legislation on local governments with the expenditure provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of expenditures. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

According to multiple county auditors, the legislation would have no impact on local government expenditures because the additional costs of adding a warning and the secretary of state's contact information to the voters' pamphlet are de minimis. Therefore, auditors see no expenditure impacts to local government or county auditors in either odd or even years.

C. SUMMARY OF REVENUE IMPACTS

Revenue impacts of the legislation on local governments, with the revenue provisions identified by section number, and when appropriate, the detail of revenue sources. Delineated between city, county and special district impacts.

This legislation would have no impact on local government revenues.

SOURCES:

Local Government Fiscal Note SB 5650 (2022)