

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

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| Bill Number: 1272 2S HB | Title: Voters' pamphlets |
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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 | Fiscal note not available | | | | | |
| 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 |
| Administrative Office of the Courts | Fiscal note not available | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Office of the Secretary of State | 2.0 | 450,592 | 450,592 | 450,592 | 2.0 | 430,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 | 2.0 | 430,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |
| Total \$ | 2.0 | 450,592 | 450,592 | 450,592 | 2.0 | 430,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 | 2.0 | 430,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |

| Agency Name | 2023-25 | | | 2025-27 | | | 2027-29 | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|----------|-------|---------|----------|-------|---------|----------|-------|
| | FTEs | GF-State | Total | FTEs | GF-State | Total | FTEs | GF-State | Total |
| Local Gov. Courts | Fiscal note not available | | | | | | | | |
| 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 |
| Administrative Office of the Courts | Fiscal note not available | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | Fiscal note not available | | | | | | | | |
| 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

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| Bill Number: 1272 2S HB | Title: Voters' pamphlets | 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 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| Account | | | | | |
| General Fund-State 001-1 | 235,296 | 215,296 | 450,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |
| Total \$ | 235,296 | 215,296 | 450,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |

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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| Agency Approval: Mike Woods | Phone: (360) 704-5215 | Date: 03/09/2023 |
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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.

Changes in 2SHB 1272 compared to the previous version (HB 1272):

There are minor changes in Section 5(11) regarding information about legislators.

Section 6 now provides that a person or committee who receives a court order overturning a determination by the Secretary of State that the candidate or ballot measure statement did not comply with legal standards may be awarded attorney's fees and costs.

These changes do not affect the Office of the Secretary of State's (OSOS) original cost projections.

Summary of 2SHB 1272:

Section 1 makes minor wording changes. No impact.

Section 2 increases the fine a court may levy from \$2 to \$5 for each deceptive material that is distributed. No impact.

Section 3 provides clarification that any federal, statewide, legislative, or certain judicial offices that would appear in the Statewide Voter Pamphlet in an even-year would also appear in the Voter Pamphlet in an odd year. It also removes "on the cover" as a possible location for the Public Disclosure Contact information. No impact.

Section 4 adds graphs, charts, and photographs to the items not permitted. No impact.

Section 5 makes minor wording changes. No Impact.

Section 6 adds authority that the Secretary of State may make an administrative decision to reject a statement or photograph without petitioning the Superior Court.

Section 7 adds restrictions on what submitted photographs for inclusion in the Voter Pamphlet may include.

Section 8 makes minor word changes and adds the County Auditor as required to allocate space for federal, statewide, legislative, and certain judicial offices in the Voter Pamphlet.

Section 9 and 10 requires counties to include all measures and candidates appearing on their ballot to appear in their local Voters' Pamphlets.

Section 11 creates the authority for the Secretary of State to adopt standards to facilitate the production of local voters' pamphlets.

Section 12 adds candidate statements and photographs to list of what should be included in the local voters' pamphlets. It also removes the requirements for partisan primary elections.

Section 13 limits the statements that appear in the local voters' pamphlets to only those accepted by the County Auditor.

Section 14 limits the distribution the local voter's pamphlet to only those areas that are participating and leaves the County Auditor authority to make a decision if there is a more effective distribution of the pamphlet.

Section 15 clarifies that only those that reside in the district can be appointed to the committees writing for and against statements. It also provides clarity on what steps to take if the legislative authority of the district fails to make appointments, including a media release and publication of information on the County website.

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.

In order to facilitate the enhanced administrative process created by Section 6 and Section 7 as well as the new standards created by Section 11 OSOS would need two FTEs (a Program Specialist 4, and a Program Coordinator) for the adoption and maintenance of standards, support the review of statements and photos, as well as assisting candidates and committees with the remediation of any rejected statements or photos. Costs for compensation, standard goods and services, travel and one time office set up costs would be \$235,296 in FY24. Ongoing costs would be \$215,296 annually thereafter.

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 | 235,296 | 215,296 | 450,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |
| Total \$ | | | 235,296 | 215,296 | 450,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

| | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | 2023-25 | 2025-27 | 2027-29 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| FTE Staff Years | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| A-Salaries and Wages | 123,276 | 123,276 | 246,552 | 246,552 | 246,552 |
| B-Employee Benefits | 51,684 | 51,684 | 103,368 | 103,368 | 103,368 |
| C-Professional Service Contracts | | | | | |
| E-Goods and Other Services | 11,700 | 11,700 | 23,400 | 23,400 | 23,400 |
| G-Travel | 5,000 | 5,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| J-Capital Outlays | 25,000 | 5,000 | 30,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers | | | | | |
| N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services | | | | | |
| P-Debt Service | | | | | |
| S-Interagency Reimbursements | | | | | |
| T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements | 18,636 | 18,636 | 37,272 | 37,272 | 37,272 |
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| Total \$ | 235,296 | 215,296 | 450,592 | 430,592 | 430,592 |

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 |
|----------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Program Coordinator | 48,156 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Program Specialist 4 | 75,120 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Total FTEs | | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |

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.