

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE

Fiscal Note



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ELECTIONS/CANDIDATES OR +\$103,174 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 Requires ethics training and certification that a candidate does not owe any ethics fines and has received ethics training as conditions for qualification (Item #7(5) and (6))
 Requires each candidate for elected office to receive training on the Code of Governmental Ethics and to certify receipt of training and to certify that he/she does not owe \$250 or more in unpaid fines, fees, or penalties for ethics violations.
 Requires that the form for notice of candidacy prepared by the Secretary of State include a notice informing candidates that state statutes require a candidate to have completed training on the code. Provides for the Ethics Board to object to the candidacy of a person who fails to comply with provisions in the proposed legislation. Effective upon governor's signature.

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The Ethics Administration Program will require \$103,174 and 1 new attorney position to implement this legislation. The attorney will be responsible for providing the required training and for performing tasks related to objecting to a person's candidacy. The required funding provides for salaries and related benefits (\$91,774), operating expenses (\$9,200), office furniture and computer equipment (\$2,200). Funding for subsequent fiscal years includes a 4% increase for salaries and related benefits and deletes funding for office furniture and computer equipment.

There will be no cost to the Secretary of State to implement the provisions of this legislation relative to the required changes on the notice of candidacy form. The notice of candidacy form is located on the Secretary of State's web site and is available for download. The agency no longer prints the form.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The board may impose a fine for violating the provisions provided for in this bill. The board cannot predict the amount of fines that may be imposed. All fees and fines are deposited in the general fund.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change

House
 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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