

2008 Special Session
FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION
Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 1098 **STATUS:** A Engrossed
SUBJECT: Requires voter registration cards to be addressed to an elections official of the registration arrives after the 21st day before an election.
GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Secretary of State
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DATE: February 13, 2008.

	<u>2007-2009</u>	<u>2009-2011</u>
EXPENDITURES: See below.		

EFFECTIVE DATE: On passage.

INTERIM JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS: The budgetary impact of this bill was not reviewed by the Interim Joint Committee on Ways and Means Committee and is not included in the omnibus budget bill to be introduced by the committee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

ANALYSIS: This bill requires voter registration cards to be addressed to an elections official if the registration arrives after the 21st day before an election; deletes the requirement that a voter must request a ballot after they change their voter registration within 21 days prior to an election; allows the county clerk to automatically send a new ballot when the County Elections Office receives a new address for a voter; allows the Secretary of State to collect information from the U.S. Postal Service in order to assist counties with updating the voter registration databases and declares emergency and takes effect on passage.

The bill will cost the Secretary of State approximately \$5,000 per year for a subscription to the United States Postal Service's address change service. There will most likely be an increased cost to local county clerks due to increased voter registration and needing to process ballots requests after the 21st day, which would normally have not been processed.