

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2257 - B

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Legislative Fiscal Office

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Measure Description:

Allows for or requires the electronic filing of certain documents with the Secretary of State for inclusion in voters’ pamphlets; requires the SOS to adopt an electronic filing system to allow these documents to be filed electronically via the Internet.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Secretary of State (SOS)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
General Fund	80,000	0
Total Funds	\$80,000	\$0

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:

The measure allows for or requires the electronic filing of certain documents with the Secretary of State for inclusion in voters’ pamphlets. The SOS currently accepts paper filings and would continue to do so since the electronic filing of some of the documents is optional. The Secretary of State reports that the electronic filing system required by the bill would be completed through the development of an additional module in their ORESTAR system. The system testing and database implementation would be completed in-house using existing staff and resources; but the analysis, development and project management of the module would be contracted at an estimated General Fund cost of \$80,000. The additional ORESTAR module may reduce the time required by Elections Division staff to type and proofread voters’ pamphlet documents.