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Measure Description:

Makes changes to laws related to elections, ballots, and campaign finance, and provides for a special election if specified actions of the 79th Legislative Assembly are referred for a vote of the people.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Counties, Secretary of State

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

The costs for this measure are indeterminate.

Analysis:

<CORRECTED to include additional information>

The measure makes several changes to update and remove inconsistencies in statutes relating to elections, ballots, and campaign finance. These adjustments do not result in a fiscal impact to state or local government agencies.

The measure also provides for a special election if HB 2391 (2017) or HB 2017 (2017) becomes law and is referred for a vote of the people. That election, if needed, would take place on January 23, 2018. If such an election is needed, the Office of the Secretary of State would need to reimburse counties for the costs of the election and would also incur administrative costs related to the printing and mailing of the voters' pamphlet. Such costs are indeterminate at this time. The Secretary of State would need to return during the 2018 session or to a future meeting of the Emergency Board to request funds to cover the actual costs incurred in the event such an election occurs.