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Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: SB 250

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SUMMARY

Directs Secretary of State to establish and maintain searchable and publicly accessible database containing copy of every ballot cast in each election. Requires county clerks to scan and upload to database each ballot cast prior to tallying votes.

Requires each ballot to be printed with unique identifier that elector may use to search database for electronic copy of elector's ballot. Requires ballot's identifier to be secret except to elector.

Permits elector to inspect elector's cast ballot for 90 days following date of election. Requires county clerks to store ballots in manner that makes ballot readily available to retrieve. Requires county clerks to store ballots in batches and to maintain index that records where each ballot is stored. Permits county clerks to charge reasonable fee to cover cost of retrieving ballot.

Requires county clerks to permit authorized persons to watch printing of ballots and inserting of ballots in envelopes to be mailed to electors.

Applies to primary, general and special elections held on or after January 1, 2025.

Becomes operative January 1, 2025.

NOTICE OF NO OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT