

Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB429ER

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron Devolites Davis

3. Committee Privileges and Elections

4. Title State Board of Elections; Director of Elections.

5. Summary/Purpose: Increases the size of the State Board from three to five members. Provides for the position of Director of Elections to be hired by the State Board, subject to confirmation by the General Assembly, as head of the elections agency, in place of the present position of the Secretary who is a member of the State Board appointed by the Governor. The Director may be removed only by a vote of four members of the State Board for cause. This bill is a recommendation of a special subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections appointed to study SB 989 (2005).

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates are minimal.

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: The State Board of Elections (SBE) has indicated that the only fiscal impacts resulting from this proposal would be a slight increase in mileage, per diems and occasional other expenses for the additional two Board members, all of which can be absorbed within current appropriations.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: State Board of Elections

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: No

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