

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1014

House of Origin	<u>X</u>	Introduced	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Engrossed
Second House	<u> </u>	In Committee	<u> </u>	Substitute	<u> </u>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Athey

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Elections; filling vacancies in certain local offices; special elections.

5. Summary: Provides that vacancies in a governing body or elected school board shall be filled by special election. If the vacant position is not that of a constitutional officer, the position may be filled temporarily by an interim appointment. The requirement for a special election would override charter provisions that allow a governing body or school board to appoint a person to serve the entire remaining portion of a term. The exemption for towns with a population of 3,500 or less is removed.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: There is no fiscal impact to State Board of Elections (SBE).

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

8. Fiscal Implications: While there is no fiscal impact to SBE, it is likely that the increase in the number of elections will increase costs in localities, particularly those localities that continue to print poll books as opposed to using the electronic versions.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections, local government

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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