

Department of Planning and Budget 2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1478

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Janis

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Elections, State Board of; provides for hiring of Director.

5. Summary: State Board of Elections; Director of Elections. 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 with the concurrence of at least four of its members, 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 shall, by his education, training, or experience, be knowledgeable of election law and administration. Removal of the Director may occur only by a vote of at least four members of the State Board.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Minimal

8. Fiscal Implications: The State Board does not incur salary expenses for its members, other than the Secretary. As this bill would replace the Secretary with the position of Director of Elections, there is no material impact to salary or benefits expenses. Travel expense for the 2 additional board members attending board meetings is estimated at \$1,000 annually.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections (SBE)

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/12/2011