

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB623

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: Cole

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Elections, administrative matters, and duties of the electoral board and general registrar.

5. Summary: Provides for certain administrative efficiencies. It permits the general registrar to administer oath to voting equipment custodians; clarifies method to give notice of change in location of general registrar's office; modernizes procedures to give public notice of registration times and primaries; and permits absentee ballot envelopes to be opened before election day so long as the ballots are placed in a secure ballot container and no count is initiated.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None

8. Fiscal Implications: The State Board of Elections (SBE) states that this legislation will have no impact on the agency. SBE also indicates that this legislation should generate some cost savings for localities.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: SBE, 134 localities, including general registrar offices.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: N/A

Date: 1/24/2012