

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB1100

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: Smith

3. Committee: Privileges and Elections

4. Title: Elections; in-person absentee voting.

5. Summary: Removes the requirement that the general registrar's office be open for eight hours on the second Saturday before a May election and retains the requirement that the office be open on the Saturday before the May election. This imposes the same requirement on city general registrars as is currently imposed on town general registrars. Since this is a minimum requirement, the general registrar retains authority to provide additional office hours for in-person absentee voting on the second Saturday before the May election, but is not required to do so.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Indeterminate

8. Fiscal Implications: The State Board of Elections (SBE) indicates that this legislation could result in some minimal savings to SBE and cities holding May elections, which occur in even numbered years. Average local savings is estimated at \$500 plus allocable share of SBE costs for Saturday staffing, reducing the total for allocation.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Board of Elections, Localities holding May elections

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: n/a

11. Other Comments: None

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