

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2023 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2266

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed

**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:**    Ransone

**3. Committee:** Privileges and Elections

**4. Title:**    State Board of Elections; adopt policy regarding counting and reporting.

**5. Summary:** Directs the State Board of Elections to adopt a policy regarding the counting and reporting of absentee ballots in a central absentee voter precinct in order to ensure that the results of absentee ballots cast early in person are reported separately from mailed absentee ballots and the results of all absentee ballots cast by voters are reported by precinct in accordance with law. Such policy is required to also ensure that all such results are posted on the State Board of Elections website no later than noon on the day after the election. The bill requires such policy to be adopted no later than September 1, 2023, and the Chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on Privileges and Elections to be notified of such policy within seven days of its adoption.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary, no state fiscal impact.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The proposed legislation is not expected to have a state fiscal impact.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Elections, State Board of Elections, General Registrars, and localities.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.

January 31, 2023