



*Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*  
**NO FISCAL IMPACT**

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Sen. Shaffer**Bill Status:** House SVMA**Fiscal Analyst:** Chris Ward (303-866-5834)

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING THE DATE ON WHICH PRECINCT CAUCUSES ARE HELD.**Summary of Assessment**

The bill allows political parties to hold precinct caucuses in presidential election years on the first Tuesday in February, instead of the third Tuesday in March. Notice must be provided to the Secretary of State and county clerk and recorders within 5 days of a decision to change the date. The bill also shortens the deadline from 30 days to 28 days for county clerks to provide to each major political party a list of registered voters affiliated with each party in advance of precinct caucuses. Finally, the bill specifies a range of dates in which county assemblies are to be held if a political party holds its precinct caucuses on the first Tuesday in February.

The bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact, although it could affect the workload of county clerk and recorders in any presidential election year in which precinct boundaries are redrawn, such as during a redistricting cycle. In such a year, county clerk and recorders must redraw voting precinct boundaries to match new legislative and congressional district boundaries, a task that in the past has not been completed prior to the first Tuesday in February. So, unless precinct lines are redrawn earlier than they have been redrawn in past years, county election officials will incur additional staff costs.

The bill takes effect August 8, 2007, if no referendum petition is filed.

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