

Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
**STATE and LOCAL
 FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Szabo; Summers

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Bill Status: House SVMA
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF IDENTIFICATION FOR ELECTION-RELATED PURPOSES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	Current Year	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014
State Revenue			
State Expenditures			
Cash Funds			
Department of State Cash Fund	\$13,500		
FTE Position Change			
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.			
Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013: None required.			
Local Government Impact: See Local Government Impact section.			

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires that identification used for election-related purposes include a photograph of the individual. An exception is provided for residents of state-licensed institutions, who may use a Medicare or Medicaid card as voter identification. The bill removes several forms of identification that do not have a photograph of the individual from the list of acceptable identification.

State Expenditures

The Department of State will have one-time costs of \$13,500 to revise, print, and distribute new voter registration forms and other election-related materials. The department is required to provide these forms to county clerks, voter registration drives, and other designated agencies that provide for voter registration under the National Voter Registration Act. Given the bill's effective date, the fiscal note assumes that the department will replace current supplies of voter registration forms statewide, and that the expenditure will occur in FY 2011-12. These costs will be paid from the Department of State Cash Fund within existing appropriations.

Local Government Impact

The bill will increase the workload of county clerks. The offices of county clerks will be required to update county publications and procedures to conform with the new requirements.

Departments Contacted

State

Revenue

Counties

Clerks and Recorders