

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN THE PARTICIPATION OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REDUCING THE MINIMUM DURATIONAL REQUIREMENT FOR AN ELECTOR TO QUALIFY AS A STATE RESIDENT, ALLOWING ELECTORS TO REGISTER TO VOTE THROUGH ELECTION DAY, REPEALING THE CATEGORY OF VOTER INACTIVITY TRIGGERED BY AN ELECTOR'S FAILURE TO VOTE, REQUIRING MAIL BALLOTS TO BE SENT TO ACTIVE ELECTORS FOR ELECTIONS CONDUCTED UNDER THE "UNIFORM ELECTION CODE OF 1992", AND REPLACING POLLING PLACES WITH VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS AND BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS FOR MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS.

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Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/15/13.

XXX	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The House State, Veterans, & Military Affair Committee Report (04/15/13) includes amendments to the bill, however, Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that the committee amendments do not change the fiscal impact of the bill.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating a total of \$1,029,181 cash funds from the Department of State Cash Fund to the Department of State for FY 2013-14. The appropriation is allocated as detailed in Table 1 below:

Table 1. H.B. 13-1303 Allocation of Appropriations in Amendment J.001				
	FTE	Information Technology Services	Elections Division	Total
<u>Personal Services</u>				
General Professional II (Legal/Commission Support)	2.0	\$0	\$80,784	\$80,784
General Professional III (Data Analyst)	1.0	0	46,741	46,741
IT Tech I (County Support)	1.0	40,548	0	40,548
PERA		4,116	12,943	17,059
Medicare		<u>588</u>	<u>1,849</u>	<u>2,437</u>
Total Personal Services	4.0	45,252	142,317	187,569
<u>Operating Expenses</u>				
Operating & Capital		5,653	16,959	22,612
Commission per diem		0	11,000	11,000
NCOA Search		0	14,000	14,000
Contract Assessments		0	72,000	72,000
SCORE Modifications		644,400	0	644,400
Load Testing		48,000	0	48,000
OLVR Modifications		<u>29,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>29,600</u>
Total Operating Expenses		<u>727,653</u>	<u>113,959</u>	<u>841,612</u>
Total Appropriations	4.0	\$772,905	\$256,276	\$1,029,181

Points to Consider

Department of State Cash Fund Impact

Prior to the introduction of this bill, the estimated FY 2013-14 year end balance in the Department of State Cash Fund was projected to be \$1.5 million, about \$1.8 million below the statutory fund balance target reserve defined in Section 24-75-402 (2) (g), C.R.S. (16.5 percent of annual expenditures). This bill appropriates approximately \$1.0 million, reducing the fund balance to \$0.5 million.