

ARIZONA STATE SENATE Fifty-Sixth Legislature, First Regular Session

VETOED FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1066

election mailings; third-party disclosures

Purpose

Requires any nongovernmental person or entity that mails an official election-related document or a document that resembles an official election-related document to include the disclosure *not from a government agency* on the outside of the envelope.

Background

The Secretary of State (SOS) and a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections are responsible for supplying voter registration forms to any qualified person requesting registration information. A county recorder must also distribute state mail-in registration forms at locations throughout the county, including government offices, fire stations, public libraries and other locations open to the general public. A county recorder may provide voter registration forms to groups and individuals that request forms for conducting voter registration drives (A.R.S. § 16-131). A candidate, political committee or other organization may distribute early ballot request forms to voters (A.R.S. § 16-542).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

- 1. Requires any nongovernmental person or entity that mails an official election-related document or a document that resembles an official election-related document from a county recorder, county officer in charge of elections or the SOS, including a voter registration application or early ballot request, to include the words *not from a government agency* in boldfaced and clearly legible print on the outside of the envelope.
- 2. Requires, for the delivery of an election-related document by a nongovernmental person or entity by mail or hand, the disclosure to be a height of at least 10 percent of the vertical height of the document.
- 3. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

Governor's Veto Message

The Governor indicates in her <u>veto message</u> that the specific requirements relating to text size within S.B. 1066 create an unreasonable burden on those who are trying to improve voting access in Arizona.

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Senate Action				House Action			
ELEC 3 rd Read	1/30/23 2/28/23	DPA	5-3-0 16-14-0	MOE 3 rd Read	3/8/23 5/15/23	DP	10-0-0-0 38-20-1-0-1

Vetoed by the Governor on 5/26/23

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