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HB-5498

AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTION SECURITY AND  
TRANSPARENCY, VARIOUS OTHER REVISIONS RELATED TO  
ELECTION ADMINISTRATION AND STATE ELECTIONS  
ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION COMPLAINTS.  
AMENDMENT

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

### ***See Fiscal Note Details***

The amendment makes a variety of changes associated with elections and registration with the Secretary of the State (SOTS), The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), and the election process and results in the fiscal impacts outlined below.

**Section 501** requires rather than allows the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to waive the fee for any applicant for an identity card who does not have the means to pay such fee, including any applicant who is a resident of a homeless shelter or other facility for homeless persons or a certified homeless youth or certified homeless young adult. This will result in a revenue loss to DMV.

**Section 502**, could result in a minimal cost, beginning in FY 25, of less than \$500 annually to a public library. The cost will be dependent on the number of additional photocopies that would need to be done annually. This may result in a cost to municipalities to the extent public libraries require additional funds. Any costs to public libraries may be partially offset to the extent that the Treasurer provides reimbursement. There would be a cost to the Treasurer for any reimbursements provided. It is

unclear whether the Treasurer has authority to provide such reimbursements.

**Sections 504-509**, create a variety of provisions requiring photo identification for both in person and absentee voting and result in no fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

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