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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7032**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1116**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 11, 2022**

**BILL AMENDED: Jan 11, 2022**

**SUBJECT:** Electronic Voting Machines.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Wesco

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill changes the date by which a county must provide a voter verifiable paper audit trail for electronic voting systems from December 31, 2029, to July 1, 2024. The bill provides that, after July 1, 2022, a county must meet certain requirements when using any direct record electronic voting system that does not include a voter verifiable paper audit trail for an election.

**Effective Date:** (Amended) Upon passage; July 1, 2022.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** (Revised) *Summary*– All counties employing the MicroVote DRE voting system have VVPAT modules for at least 10% of their machines, with several at or near 100%. It is not known if all of the modules have been connected and used in elections.

(Revised) *Additional Information*– Counties with MicroVote DREs have received VVPAT modules purchased by the Secretary of State under funds provided by HEA 1001-2019 for election security. According to the Secretary of State’s budget request transmittal letter, dated: December 9, 2020, the Secretary of State, with the use of federal and state funds, was able to replace or equip more than 30% of existing equipment with VVPAT technology.

According to MicroVote, all counties have at least 21% of their MicroVote DREs connected to VVPAT modules. All of the MicroVote DREs owned by Adams, Bartholomew, Blackford, Dubois, Franklin, Johnson, Parke, Steuben, Tippecanoe, and White are 100% equipped with VVPAT modules, with Clinton at 97%. Several more are at 50% to 60% equipped.

Johnson County received VVPAT modules equal to 10% of their DRE's or 45 machines during late 2019. Johnson County currently has VVPAT modules for all of their MicroVote DREs.

Bartholomew County received state funds from the Secretary of State for 60 VVPAT modules for their MicroVote DREs.

State law requires all counties with DRE voting systems to have at least 10% of their machines capable of producing a paper trail.

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** County election boards.

**Information Sources:** Rachel Hoffmeyer, Deputy Secretary of State, Indiana Secretary of State's Office; VSTOP; [https://dailyjournal.net/2019/09/24/county\\_to\\_buy\\_all\\_new\\_election\\_equipment/](https://dailyjournal.net/2019/09/24/county_to_buy_all_new_election_equipment/); [https://www.therepublic.com/2020/02/23/county\\_to\\_have\\_paper\\_record\\_on\\_all\\_voting\\_machines/](https://www.therepublic.com/2020/02/23/county_to_have_paper_record_on_all_voting_machines/); <https://www.in.gov/sba/files/Secretary-of-State-Transmittal-Letter.pdf>; MicroVote.

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