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Fiscal Note On: **HB 599** HLS 16RS 1040
 Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Registration of Voters at OMV Facilities	

VOTERS/VOTING OR +\$81,280 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 Provides for automatic voter registration through driver's license facilities

Proposed law provides for automatic voter registration at Office of Motor Vehicles Facilities.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$81,280	\$29,280	\$29,280	\$29,280	\$29,280	\$198,400
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation will increase state general fund expenditures for the Secretary of State by approximately \$81,280 in FY 17 and \$29,280 in subsequent fiscal years. The Dept. of Public Safety & Corrections does not anticipate an expenditure increase associated with the proposed legislation.

The Secretary of State anticipates one-time development costs of \$52,000 to modify the Agency Voter Registration (AVR) computer program for receipt of information from the Office of Motor Vehicles. The Secretary of State will contract these expenses to GCR Inc. at a rate of \$100 per hour. The Secretary of State estimates a total of 520 man-hours will be needed to complete this project. To the extent multiple pieces of legislation are passed requiring the Secretary of State to contract out IT services beyond its current contract, additional resources may be required. The Secretary of State anticipates the work associated with proposed legislation may be completed by January 1, 2017.

Estimated mailing costs for the Secretary of State associated with this bill total \$29,280 annually. This bill requires the Secretary of State to notify by mail each person whom it receives registration information about how they may change party affiliation, decline voter registration, or update an existing registration, which represents an expansion of services. The Secretary of State receives approximately 61,000 electronic voter registration applications annually. Notification mailings cost \$0.34 per card, resulting in a total of approximately \$20,740 annually based on an annual average of approximately 61,000 applications. Pre-paid return postage costs \$0.28 per mailing for each notification card. Assuming half of the notification mailings are returned (30,500 mailings * \$0.28), return postage will total approximately \$8,540.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S} | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | |

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