BILL SUMMARY 1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.: Version: Request Number: Author: Date: Impact: HB1415 Introduced 6718 Rep. Crosswhite Hader 2/10/2023 See Analysis Below

Research Analysis

HB1415 provides that in the event that any official federal action enacted after the effective date of the act seeks to substantially modify or supersede any voter registration or election administration laws and procedures enacted by the Legislature, that those will only apply to elections for federal office. A determination on this action will be made by the Attorney General, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the State Election Board. The measure creates a committee to propose changes to non-federal elections in the event of a determination. A report will be submitted 60 days after the determination. If the Legislature is not in session, the committee will temporarily modify election dates and deadlines. The measure outlines the committee makeup and procedures.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1415 creates a new committee that may propose or temporarily modify election dates and deadlines in response to federal action that modifies or supersedes current voter registration or election administration law. Per the State Election Board, a fiscal impact would only occur if the requirements of the bill are triggered by the enactment of certain federal legislation. Actual fiscal impact would be unknown until it is determined what, if any, modifications are made to existing time, place and manner and conduction non-federal elections. If a separate election dates were to be required for state and county elections, the estimated costs to the agency would be approximately \$1.2-\$1.5 million per additional election required, with additional unknown costs for county election boards.

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Other Considerations

None.

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