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Bill Number: H. 3263 Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author: Fry
Subject: Executive Committee, Authority to Hear Protest and Concerns
Requestor: House Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s): Miller
Impact Date: February 22, 2021

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will have no impact to the State Election Commission (SEC) because any potential expenditure savings are minimal and will be reallocated to other areas within the agency.

This bill will have no expenditure savings impact on counties because, other than those expenses reimbursable by the SEC, the political parties pay for the county executive committees' hearings.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 12, 2021

State Expenditure

This bill eliminates county executive committees and gives the state executive committee the authority to hear and decide protests and contests arising from local primary elections.

Currently, the county executive committees hear and decide protests and contests arising from local primary elections. Both the county executive committees and the state executive committee hearings are paid for by the political parties. In the past, SEC reimbursed the political parties for court reporters and transcripts at both the county and state level. SEC anticipates they will no longer reimburse the political parties for the court reporters and transcript hearings at both the county and state level due to this bill. This may result in minimal expenditure savings. However, any savings will be reallocated to other areas within the agency. Therefore, this bill will have no impact on the SEC.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

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hearings are paid for by the political parties. Therefore, this bill would not have an expenditure savings impact for counties.

Local Revenue

N/A



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