

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 52nd Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 458
Version:	Engrossed
Author:	Representative Duncan/ Senator Branan
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Impact:	Election Board: No Significant Impact

Bill Summary

Research Analyst: Arnella Karges

Engrossed SB 458 allows qualified voters who are military personnel and their spouses or dependents to submit an electronic request for absentee ballots, as written applications are allowed, if they are located outside the United States and are voting from outside the U.S. The bill also allows county election boards to transmit ballot materials electronically to qualified absentee ballot requestors. The title is stricken on Engrossed SB 458

Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Analyst: Terry McKenna

ESB 458 relates to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986. The measure provides that the secretary of the county election board may transmit balloting materials to an electronic mail address in a form and manner prescribed by the Secretary of the State Election Board if the voter is a federal postcard application registrant and is eligible to receive an absentee ballot and provides a current address that is located outside the United States, an electronic mail address; and requests that balloting materials be sent by electronic mail.

Fiscal Analysis

The State Election Board anticipates no significant fiscal impact in connection with this legislation. There could be a small cost in obtaining absentee ballots in electronic format from the ballot printer and transmitting them to the County Election Boards.

Long Term Fiscal Considerations

None

Fiscal Analysis Reviewed By:

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