

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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**Research Analysis**

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**Fiscal Analysis**

According to State Election Board officials, the measure reduces the number of signatures required on a petition to form a recognized political party from five percent (5.0%) of the total votes cast in the last General Election to 22,500 signatures. No measurable cost is anticipated.

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**Other Considerations**

While it is unlikely that there would be a significant fiscal impact, it is possible that a larger number of recognized political parties could increase the number of future primary and runoff primary elections. The Election Board indicated in prior analysis the cost of an additional ballot in a primary election could reach \$180,000 for a statewide race. In a runoff primary, the cost for an additional ballot for a statewide race could be as much as \$50,000.