BILL SUMMARY

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Impact: State Election Board: Potential Cost Savings

Research Analysis

SB 1108 modifies the authority of the Secretary of the State Election Board to obtain additional precinct election board members as needed; directs the secretary of the county election board to transmit the official results of the precinct to the Secretary of the State Election Board; provides that the Secretary has the authority to print only the names of candidates for President and Vice President on the ballot and print a separate list of the nominees for Presidential Electors, and provides that the Secretary may delay, until no later than December 31, 2017, sending an address confirmation mailing to inactive voters if there are insufficient funds for doing so in fiscal year 2017.

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Fiscal Analysis

According to the State Election Board, provisions of the measure represent potential savings, the total of which would depend on a number of factors. Section 1 would allow for the employment of additional precinct board workers as needed and not requiring employing an entire three-person board; resulting savings would depend on the election and number of additional workers used. Sections 2 and 5 eliminate printing of electors' names on a ballot, thereby freeing much needed ballot space and potentially resulting in few pages to print. Section 3 would provide more printing flexibility to the agency, which could result in savings, depending on materials used. Section 4 would eliminate would eliminate an existing procedure of mailing copies of polling place results to the agency, thereby saving the agency approximately \$1,100 per statewide election. Section 6 would allow SEB to delay sending address confirmation mailings, which would shift the \$180,000 cost from FY17 to FY18.

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Other Considerations

None.