BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: SB 114
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Impact: Potential Mailing Expenses

Research Analysis

The CS for **SB 114** allows state agencies that utilize the U.S. Postal Services National Change of Address dataset to share the records with the State Election Board and authorizes the board to use records from the dataset to determine if a voter in the state has changed his or her address. The measure also authorizes the Secretary of the State Election Board to obtain official death records from the Social Security Administration and from other states so a determination can be made about any voter who is deceased. Finally, the measure establishes procedures for voters identified by the change of address dataset to confirm or change their address at the time they appear in person to vote. A voter who refuses to complete a confirmation or change of address form will be allowed to vote only by provisional ballot.

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Fiscal Analysis

Language regarding the exchange of records between state agencies and the State Election Board, as well as the utilization of Postal Service records, is permissive, and therefore should not impact state revenues. However, the Election Board anticipates voter mailings to increase to an unknown number of households as a result of the measure's provisions.

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Other Considerations

None.

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