

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 145
Version:	ENGR
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Author:	Representative Echols
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Impact:	\$0 Immediate to the State

Research Analysis

SB 145 provides that the nominees for Presidential Electors are to be certified by the party's chair to the Secretary of the State Election Board no later than July 15 and requires a recognized political party to certify its nominees for President and Vice President to the Secretary of the State Election board no later than 75 days prior to the date of the General Election. The measure also modifies the procedures for independent candidates for President and candidates for an unrecognized political party to appear on the General Election ballot. The bill also repeals the existing procedures for the names of Presidential Electors pledged to a nominee of an unrecognized political party to be printed on the ballot.

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Fiscal Analysis

Provisions of the measure are not anticipated to immediately impact state revenues, as it is unknown whether presidential candidates would file by petition (yielding a slightly negative impact) or with filing fee (yielding a slightly positive impact). However, the State Election Board notes that, in the event of five or more presidential candidates qualifying for the General Election ballot, in conjunction with a high number of state questions, the addition of a second ballot page would cost the agency approximately \$600,000.

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Other Considerations

None.