BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.: SB956
Version: POLPCS1
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Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute for SB956 loosens the residency and voter registration requirement for district judge and associate district judge candidates when the county election board secretary certifies that no one from the county or district has filed for the office.

If the vacancy is for the associate district judge position and there are no eligible candidates, a candidate from any county within the judicial district may file to run.

If no candidates for either position have filed to run and the position must be filed by appointment, then there will be no residency or voter registration requirements for the appointed judge.

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Fiscal Analysis

The POLPCS1 to SB956 removes a residency and durational registration requirement from candidates wishing to run for certain vacant judicial positions after it has been certified that no candidate has filed to run for the vacancy. In its current form, this measure is not anticipated to have a material impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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