

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 962 increases the fees associated with requesting a recount. The measure increases the fee from \$600.00 to \$1,000.00 for each 3,000 ballots for any individual requesting a recount. The measure also provided an increase from \$600.00 to \$800.00 for a recount using electronic means for the first 3,000 ballots and from \$300.00 to \$500.00 for each additional 5,000 ballots. Any petition requesting a recount based on irregularities shall be required to state the specific allegations of actual irregularities in certain precincts or in the casting of absentee ballots. The measure requires a petitioner whose case is dismissed based on lack of evidence to reimburse the court for all reasonable costs associated with the hearing and to pay reasonable attorney fees to the attorneys of the contestee, the county election board, and the State Election Board.

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