Senate Fiscal Summary

1st Session of the 60th Legislature



Version:

Agency: Oklahoma State Election Board
Senate Author: Burns

House Author: Townley FY'26 Impact: No Impact

Full Year Impact: No Impact

Bill Summary and Fiscal Analysis:

The committee substitute to House Bill 1678 removes language from the engrossed version that would have required a second vote to occur when any Primary Election, Runoff Primary Election, or General Election resulted in a tie. The committee substitute further clarifies the procedure by which a candidate will be selected by lot in the event of a tie. The measure provides that the secretary of the appropriate election board shall place the names of the tied candidates on separate pieces of paper. The papers are to be folded and placed into two small separate and equal opaque containers. Those opaque containers are to be placed inside a larger transparent container in which the opaque containers are tumbled or shaken. The secretary shall choose one opaque container, and the name of the candidate within the said container shall be declared the winner. The procedures described shall not apply to the elections of state officers pursuant to Section 5 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution. The committee substitute to House Bill 1678 is not anticipated to have any fiscal impact on the Oklahoma State Election Board or the state.

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