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TO: Honorable Leo Berman, Chair, House Committee on Elections

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB361 by Janek (Relating to the deadline for submitting a federal postcard application to the early voting clerk.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code to allow a member of the armed forces or of the merchant marines, their spouse, or their children to submit a federal postcard application to the early voting clerk on or before the 20th day before election day. Under current statute, an applicant must submit the application on or before the 30th day before election day. The proposed change in statute could result in an increase in the number of ballots an early voting clerk sends out.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: LBB Staff: JOB, MN, KJG, DB