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TO: Honorable Todd Smith, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

IN RE: HB3046 by Farias (Relating to the correction of voter registration records following a change of address submitted to the United States Postal Service.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require registrars to correct registration records after receipt of any United States Postal Service (USPS) information indicating an address change. The bill would require the registrar to monthly request from USPS information relating to address changes submitted to USPS by persons in the county. The bill would require the Secretary of State to prescribe procedures to provide for the registrar to transfer the registration of a voter from one county to another on notification that the voter's residence has moved to the other county. It is assumed costs associated with this bill could be absorbed within existing resources. The bill would be effective September 1, 2009.

Local Government Impact

Local registrars would have some additional costs related to correcting voter registration records, and making monthly requests for voter address changes; however, no significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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