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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: HB529 by Berman (Relating to certification for placement on the ballot of candidates for president or vice-president of the United States.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code relating to certification for placement on the ballot of candidates for president or vice-president for the United States. The Secretary of State would not be allowed to certify the name of a candidate for president or vice-president unless the candidate has presented the candidate's original birth certificate indicating the name of the hospital and the physician of record or a document certifying the candidate's birth in the United States. It is anticipated that any costs associated with implementation of the legislation could be absorbed within existing resources. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2011.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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