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TO: Honorable Robert Duncan, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: SB216 by Ellis (Relating to procedures related to the placement of a voter on the suspense list.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Election Code to allow a voter registrar to remove a voter from a suspense list if the determination is made that a renewal certificate was returned due to a postal service error, address reclassification, or a registrar's clerical error.

The bill would require the Secretary of State (SOS) to adopt rules for the determination of the cause of a voter's renewal certificate being returned undelivered and for a uniform and auditable process regarding a voter's residence. SOS reported any additional costs could be reasonably absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

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