

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 17, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB396** by Thompson, Senfronia (Relating to providing a federal postcard applicant with a ballot for certain elections in which the applicant is eligible to vote.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Election Code relating to providing a federal postcard applicant with a ballot for certain elections in which the applicant is eligible to vote. The bill would require the early voting clerk to provide notice to a person who indicates on a federal postcard application that the person is a United States citizen residing abroad that the person is only eligible to vote a federal ballot as provided by the bill. The bill would require the Secretary of State (SOS) to prescribe the form and manner of the notice provided by the early voting clerk.

SOS indicated that any costs associated with the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

Costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill would vary by locality; however, those amounts are not anticipated to be significant.

**Source Agencies:**

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