

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

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

**March 28, 2013**

**TO:** Honorable Geanie Morrison, Chair, House Committee on Elections

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

**IN RE:** **HB1857** by Burkett (Relating to the elimination of straight-party voting for county or precinct offices.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend the Election Code to eliminate straight-party voting for county or precinct offices. It would also require the Secretary of State (SOS) to prescribe procedures to inform voters that a straight-party vote does not count in an election for a county or precinct office.

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

**Local Government Impact**

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

**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State

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