

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**April 28, 2013**

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

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

**IN RE: HB2728** by Gutierrez (Relating to an online training program for volunteer deputy voter registrars.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB2728, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$479,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2015.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</b>
2014	(\$395,000)
2015	(\$84,000)
2016	(\$84,000)
2017	(\$84,000)
2018	(\$84,000)

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund</b>
	<b>1</b>
2014	(\$395,000)
2015	(\$84,000)
2016	(\$84,000)
2017	(\$84,000)
2018	(\$84,000)

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would amend the Election Code to require the Secretary of State to provide training materials and any applicable examination for potential volunteer deputy registrars to be accessed through an online training program.

The Secretary of State indicates that a cost of \$395,000 in fiscal year 2014 and \$84,000 each additional fiscal year out of General Revenue Funds would be required to implement the provisions of the bill.

This bill would take effect on September 1, 2013.

### **Methodology**

The Secretary of State estimates the cost of implementing and providing the program based on a similar program that was developed in 2006 for online poll worker training. Costs of \$395,000 in fiscal year 2014 are for design, development, licensing, hosting, and maintenance of the program. The annual cost each additional fiscal year is for licensing, hosting, and maintenance of the program.

### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 307 Secretary of State

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