

SENATE FISCAL AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FISCAL NOTE

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Department of State-Elections & Campaign Finance

Electronic Return of Absent Voter Ballots by Eligible Voters

FISCAL IMPACT:

The rule would require the Department of State to build and maintain an electronic return portal for overseas and uniformed military service personnel. The Department expects to contract for the build and maintenance at an estimated cost of \$290,000 per year. The estimated timeline for the project is five years at an estimated total cost of \$1,450,000. Funding for the portal will be included in the annual appropriations for the Department of State.

