Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 432 (Senator Stoltzfus) Economic and Environmental Affairs

Election Law - Electronically Tabulated Ballots

This bill specifies that a voting system which electronically tabulates ballots must offer the voter the option of indicating a "none of the above" preference. The bill is effective July 1, 1997.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The State Administrative Board of Election Laws could verify that voting systems meet the requirement with existing resources.

Local Effect: None. Local elections boards could make the change with existing resources.

Small Business Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect small businesses.

Information Source(s): State Administrative Board of Election Laws, Department of Fiscal Services

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