

Fiscal Note

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Title: VOTER PREREGISTRATION FOR MINORS
Sponsor: STORY
Requester: (H) STATE AFFAIRS

Department: Office of the Governor
Appropriation: Elections
Allocation: Elections
OMB Component Number: 21

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2025	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2025 Request	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2025	FY 2025						
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services	75.0		7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	75.0	0.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	75.0		7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Total	75.0	0.0	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? **Yes**
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? **07/01/25**

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill would allow a person to preregister to vote at the age of 16. Ninety days prior to the person attaining the age of 18, the division would mail the person a voter registration card.

The division will be required to develop a technical solution for the statewide voter registration and election management system (VREMS) to accommodate this new group of future voters. A one-time set-up cost for this revision to the VREMS system is estimated to be \$75.0 in FY25. This would essentially be a subset of voters within the master list. The ongoing maintenance costs associated with the enhancement required to VREMS is estimated to be \$7.5 per year.

The division would also be required to, at a minimum, revise all voter registration forms and the online voter registration system, work with the Division of Motor Vehicles to include this new category and engage in extensive outreach to all National Voter Registration Act agencies.

The division will be required to promulgate new regulations. The division will need to consult with the Department of Law to determine if the information of these minors is protected and not intended to be released in any lists available from the division. At a minimum, the regulations would need to clarify how the division will store the data and what parts will be made available to the public as well as how individuals (or their legal guardians) would interact with the division in the maintenance of the data.