

BDR 24-907

SB 195

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 15, 2025

Agency Submitting: Local Government

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2024-25	Fiscal Year 2025-26	Fiscal Year 2026-27	Effect on Future Biennia
Total	0	0	0	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

See attached.

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The following responses from local governments were compiled by the Fiscal Analysis Division. The Fiscal Analysis Division can neither verify nor comment on the figures provided by the individual local governments.

Local Government Responses
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City/County: City of West Wendover Approved by: Anna Bartlome, City Clerk/Records Officer Comment:				
Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Sparks Approved by: Tiffany Pugh, Accounting Manager Comment:				
Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Reno Approved by: Jason Gortari, Urban Economist Comment: This bill enforces stricter deadlines for returning mail ballots and resolving signature issues, enhances transparency through mail ballot reporting, and strengthens signature verification requirements. It eliminates the postmark deadline extension and mandates that drop boxes close at the close of business on Election Day. These changes could affect the City if a special election were required and the Washoe County Registrar of Voters was unable to administer it on our behalf. Due to this uncertainty, the fiscal impact cannot be determined.				
Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Cannot Be Determined	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: City of Las Vegas Approved by: Rocio Martinez Saucedo, Grants Administrator Comment:				
Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **City of Henderson**

Approved by: Mike Cathcart, Business Operations Manager

Comment: No fiscal impact to the City of Henderson.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **City of Elko**

Approved by: Annette Robinson, City Clerk

Comment: The City of Elko has reviewed the bill and has determined that there is no fiscal impact.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Carson City**

Approved by: Sheri Russell-Benabou, Chief Financial Officer

Comment: The bill as written would require a part time person to act as PIO preceding and during the election, as well as involve direct mailing of a letter or postcard for information and marketing material.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$43,000	\$43,000	\$86,000

City/County: **Churchill County**

Approved by: Alexa Robinson, Executive Assistant

Comment:

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Clark County**

Approved by: Chris Wardlaw, Budget Manager

Comment: BDR 24-907 mandates that the Secretary of State (SOS) and counties inform registered voters about the requirements for voting by mail ballot. It is important to note that the CC Elections office already provides this information both online and within the mail ballots themselves. The bill also requires counties to provide training for election board staff responsible for counting mail ballots and mandates that counties submit a report to the SOS regarding mail ballots after the conclusion of each election. Costs could be mitigated if the SOS were granted access to the relevant data.

Additionally, the bill revises the deadline for returning mail ballots and curing defects in mail ballots from six days after the election to three days. It also updates the requirements for processing and counting mail ballots to ensure the inclusion of fair and efficient procedures. However, the terms "fair and efficient" are quite general and may require further clarification. It is estimated that the potential implementation costs could range from approximately \$1,350,000 to \$2,100,000, depending on the methods of voter outreach that are permitted.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$2,850,000	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Douglas County**

Approved by: Amy Burgans, Douglas County Clerk/Treasurer

Comment: As currently written, there would be little to no fiscal impact for implementation.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Humboldt County**

Approved by: Jessica Koepke, Deputy Clerk

Comment: Fiscal impact cannot be determined.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Cannot Be Determined	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Lincoln County**

Approved by: Denice Brown, Admin Asst

Comment:

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Lyon County**

Approved by: Josh Foli, Comptroller

Comment: This bill will have a fiscal impact to Lyon County for the required training of election personnel and for notification of voters of the curing process for mail-in ballots.

The training should be fairly minimal, but could cost a few hundred dollars in salaries for paid election personnel.

Not knowing how the Secretary of State would notify voters of the curing process makes it not possible to provide a fiscal impact. If it requires mailing out a separate notification to each voter, it could be tens of thousands of dollars of fiscal impact.

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Cannot Be Determined	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Mineral County**

Approved by: Teresa McNally, Clerk-Treasurer

Comment:

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Pershing County**

Approved by: Karen Wesner, Administrative Assistant

Comment:

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

City/County: **Washoe County**

Approved by: Cadence Matijevich, Government Affairs Liaison

Comment: Washoe County would need to hire additional staff in order to meet the requirements in this bill that a ballot requiring signature verification through the curing process must be cured no later than 5 pm on the third day after an election Washoe County. In determining the estimated cost for such additional staff Washoe County utilized the number of mail-in ballots received on election day during the 2024 Presidential Preference Primary (~2,500) and the 2024 General Election (~11,000). FY26 expenses are for the 2026 Primary Election. FY27 expenses are for the 2026 General Election. Future biennia expenses include the 2028 Presidential Preference Primary Election, 2028 Primary Election, and 2028 General Election.

Primary/General Election Formula:

7 Temporary Staff at \$18 per hour x 72 hours = \$9,072

3 Permanent Staff at ~\$26 per hour (Overtime) x 72 hours = \$5,616

Total Cost = \$14,688 Per Election

Presidential Preference Primary Election Formula:

2 Temporary Staff at \$18 per hour x 48 hours = \$1,728

Total Cost = \$1,728 Per Election

Impact	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	Future Biennia
Has Impact	\$0	\$14,688	\$14,688	\$31,104

The following cities/counties did not provide a response: City of Yerington, City of Winnemucca, City of Wells, City of North Las Vegas, City of Mesquite, City of Lovelock, City of Fernley, City of Fallon, City of Ely, City of Carlin, City of Caliente, City of Boulder City, Elko County, Esmeralda County, Lander County, Nye County, Storey County, White Pine County, and Eureka County.