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AN ACT CONCERNING AUDITS CONDUCTED BY THE STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

| Agency Affected | Fund-Effect | FY 26 \$ | FY 27 \$ |
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| Elections Enforcement Commission | GF - Cost | 132,684 | 132,684 |
| State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹ | GF - Cost | 54,016 | 54,016 |

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the State Elections Enforcement Commission (SEEC) to make public the process by which they randomly select campaigns to audit. In addition, the SEEC must complete audits within one calendar year and deliver a report to the General Assembly on audits that were not completed in that timeframe resulting in the cost described below.

To complete the audits within the specified timeframe, SEEC will require one Accounts Examiner, and one Accounting Careers Trainee at a total cost of \$132,684 in salary, and \$54,002 in fringe benefits in FY 26 and FY 27.

The Out Years

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 40.71% of payroll in FY 26.

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.