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## SB-1516 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE'S RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO VOTING AND ELECTIONS IN THIS STATE.

AMENDMENT

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## **OFA Fiscal Note**

#### State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Secretary of the State	GF - Cost	See Below	See Below
Secretary of the State	GF - Potential	See Below	See Below
	Cost		

Note: GF=General Fund

### Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
All Municipalities	Cost	Minimal	Minimal

### Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and results in the fiscal impacts described below.

Section 1 of the amendment makes a variety of changes to election procedures including requiring that attestations that were previously recorded on the back of the early voting envelope, into a logbook to be developed by the Secretary of the State (SOTS) resulting in a cost to SOTS and municipalities. This cost is associated with the printing of logbooks, and the development of a standard form.

Section 25 empowers SOTS to commence a declaratory judgment

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action in court under certain circumstances resulting in a potential cost to the state. The exact cost will depend on the number of declaratory judgements pursued.

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