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sHB-5352

AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE
ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION AND MANDATORY
DISMISSAL OF COMPLAINTS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

| Agency Affected | Fund-Effect | FY 27 \$ | FY 28 \$ |
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| Elections Enforcement Commission | GF - Potential Revenue Gain | Minimal | Minimal |

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill eliminates the one-year decision deadline for the State Elections Enforcement Commission (SEEC) for complaints received after October 1, 2026, regarding certain potential violations under state election law, resulting in a minimal potential revenue gain to SEEC beginning in FY 27. The bill results in a potential revenue gain to the extent that SEEC will no longer end these investigations at the one-year deadline before the work is done, and will issue more decisions, potentially resulting in additional fines imposed.

The Out Years

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

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