

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4367S.08T  
 Bill No.: Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed SS for SB 1002  
 Subject: Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Councils; Bonds - General Obligation and Revenue; Education, Elementary and Secondary; Elections; Taxation and Revenue - Property  
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Bill Summary: This proposal creates and modifies provisions relating to elections submitted to the people by a school board of any school district located in St. Charles County.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
General Revenue	\$0	\$0	(Unknown) to Unknown
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(Unknown) to Unknown</b>

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(Unknown) to Unknown</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown) to Unknown</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### §§162.082, 162.301, 162.341, 162.459, 162.481, and 164.320 - Elections by a School Board of any School District Located in St. Charles County

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume this bill would cause elections for school board members in St. Charles County to be moved from April in each year to November of even-numbered years. As a result, school districts will pay proportional costs of the general election, reducing the percentage of costs shared by the state in odd-numbered fiscal years beginning in FY29.

Using the actual costs incurred by St. Charles County in November 2024 as a guide, the state's proportional share would reduce from slightly less than 50% (actual number in 2024: 46%) to something closer to 30%. Reduced costs could result in savings to the state of up to \$150,000 in FY29, but this may be offset by higher overall election costs due to increased numbers of ballot styles being required to accommodate the school elections, so the overall impact is unknown.

**Oversight** notes this proposal requires all elections for school board members of any school district in which a majority of the district is located in St. Charles County to be held at the November general election and makes all such terms four years. At the time of filing a declaration of candidacy, a candidate may optionally designate his or her party affiliation and consent to have such affiliation appear beside the candidate's name on the ballot.

The proposal further requires all proposals submitted to the voters of any school district in which a majority of the district is located in St. Charles County for the purpose of levying a new tax or renewing or increasing the levy of an existing tax, including for the issuance of bonded indebtedness, to be submitted at the November general election.

Oversight notes the proportional costs of the November elections could increase in part due to an increase in the number of ballot issues and ballot pages. Due to the proposal shifting the elections from April to November and limiting the elections to even numbered calendar years, St. Charles school districts who previously held elections in April will be required to share proportional costs of the November general election. Therefore, Oversight will show a potential unknown cost and potential unknown savings beginning in November 2028 (FY 2029) and recurring in even numbered calendar years (odd numbered fiscal years).

Officials from the **Platte County Board of Elections** and **St. Louis County Board of Elections** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note for these agencies.

**Oversight** notes due to the proposal shifting the elections from April to November and limiting the elections to even numbered calendar years, the St. Charles County school board election costs will only be incurred in odd numbered fiscal years; therefore, the savings generated from elections will occur in even numbered fiscal years. For example, no longer holding the April 2028 school board election will result in savings occurring in FY 2028 as there is no offsetting cost occurring in even numbered fiscal years. Instead, the elections will occur in November 2028 (FY 2029) and will be offset by the savings generated from the school board election that would otherwise have been held in April 2028 (FY 2028). Oversight will show an unknown savings beginning in April 2028 (FY 2028) and recurring in even numbered fiscal years.

Oversight assumes some local political subdivisions in St. Charles County may face increased costs beginning in the April 2028 election (FY 2028) as St. Charles County school districts would no longer share in the proportional cost. Oversight will show a potential unknown cost to some local political subdivisions beginning in FY 2028 and recurring annually for each municipal election held.

Beginning in November of 2028 (FY 2029), Oversight assumes some local political subdivisions in St. Charles may see proportional cost savings as the school district would now share in the cost of the November elections occurring on even numbered calendar years (odd numbered fiscal years). Oversight will show a potential unknown savings to some local political subdivisions beginning in FY 2029 and recurring in odd numbered fiscal years.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other Local Election Authorities, County Clerks and School Districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Cost</u> – SOS (§162.082) increase in proportional cost for ballot issues for November Elections p.3	\$0	\$0	(Unknown) to Unknown
<u>Savings</u> – SOS (§162.082) School Board Elections – school districts now required to share in proportional cost for November Elections p.3	\$0	\$0	(Unknown) to Unknown
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b>(Unknown) to Unknown</b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISION</b>			
<u>Cost</u> – (§162.082) Increase in proportional cost for April election to locals other than schools p.4	\$0	(Unknown)	\$0
<u>Cost</u> – (§162.082) Increase in ballot issues for November Elections p.4	\$0	\$0	\$0 to (Unknown)
<u>Savings</u> – (§162.082) Decrease in proportional cost for November election to locals including school districts p.4	\$0	\$0	\$0 to Unknown
<u>Savings</u> – (§162.082) Reduced election costs for school districts (annual to biennial) p.4	<u>\$0</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISION</b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b>(Unknown) to Unknown</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown) to Unknown</b>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact on small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

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This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of the Secretary of State  
Platte County Board of Elections  
St. Louis County Board of Elections



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