



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2015 Biennium

Bill #	SB0206	Title:	Allowing electronic voter registration
Primary Sponsor:	Wanzenried, David E	Status:	As Introduced

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2014 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2015 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2016 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
Other - SOS Proprietary	\$157,000	\$11,000	\$11,550	\$12,128
Revenue:				
Other - SOS Proprietary	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Description of fiscal impact: Electronic voter registrations will reduce cost at the county level associated with processing and accounting for paper voter registrations. The initial cost to the Secretary of State (SOS) will be approximately \$157,000 and future annual maintenance cost would be approximately \$11,000.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Secretary of State's Office

1. Initial costs will include \$100,000 to upgrade the voter registration database and \$46,000 to create the web portal.
2. Annual cost will be \$11,000 for the hosting of web portal by Department of Administration - SITSD. This cost was inflated by 1.5% in the 2017 biennium.
3. The Secretary of State's Office is funded with enterprise funds. Revenues are derived from fees for services, document sales, and other fees established in statute.

Fiscal Impact:**Expenditures:**

Operating Expenses	\$157,000	\$11,000	\$11,550	\$12,128
TOTAL Expenditures	\$157,000	\$11,000	\$11,550	\$12,128

Funding of Expenditures:

Other - Proprietary SOS	\$157,000	\$11,000	\$11,550	\$12,128
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$157,000	\$11,000	\$11,550	\$12,128

Revenues:

Other - Proprietary SOS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):

Other - Proprietary SOS	(\$157,000)	(\$11,000)	(\$11,550)	(\$12,128)
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Effect on County or Other Local Revenues or Expenditures:

1. At the county level, there would be an estimated savings from electronic registration compared to paper registrations of approximately \$25,000 per year. This estimate is based on a review of annual savings reported by states that are similar in population size to Montana.

*Sponsor's Initials*_____
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