

LWV Priority Bill Report - March 1, 2019

SB19/HB301

Retention election for director of schools.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. VanHuss, James
Summary: Authorizes any county or city governing body to require the director of schools to face a retention election at the next regular August election immediately preceding the expiration of the director of schools' contract. Prohibits a local board of education from extending the contract of a director of schools if a majority of those voting on the question vote against retaining the director of schools.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Education Administration Subcommittee.

SB27/HB21

Selection of candidates for United States senator.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Williams, Ryan
Summary: Makes revisions to the nomination process for candidates for U.S. Senator.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 9, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 01/22/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB36/HB137

Restoration of voting rights.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Chism, Jesse
Summary: Allows a person who has lost the right to vote to apply for restoration of voting rights if that person is making payments for restitution, court costs and/or overdue child support.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 16, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Constitutional Protections & Sentencing Subcommittee.

SB71/HB28

Placement of election campaign materials outside of polling locations.

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy
Summary: Requires the officer of elections to have sample ballots, voting instructions and other materials placed inside the polling place for the use of voters. Requires the officer to designate entrances to the building where the election is to be held, and to measure off one hundred feet (100') from the entrances and place boundary signs.
Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1 requires the county election commission designate entrances to the building where the election is to be held.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 10, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Senate passed with amendment 1.
House Status: 02/25/19 - House passed.

SB74/HB195

Allows voter registration with social security number.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Lafferty, Justin
Summary: Defines social security number to mean the last four digits of a person's social. Requires secretary of state to create a system for registering voters with their social security numbers and redacting any voting records that contain the full nine-digit social security number.
Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB90/HB133 Photo identification licenses issued for the purposes of voting.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Love Jr., Harold
Summary: Authorizes usage of out of state driver's licenses to establish an identity for issuing photo identification licenses by the department of safety for voting purposes.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) Forgone State Revenue Exceeds \$12,000/Department of Safety Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$2,000/Department of Safety
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/28/19 - Set for House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee 03/06/19.

SB93/HB1226 Revises membership of advisory committee on open government.

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Casada, Glen
Summary: Revises membership of the advisory committee on open government by adding one senator to be appointed by the speaker of the senate and one representative to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$2,100
Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB192/HB160 Voting at licensed nursing homes.

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Thompson , Dwayne
Summary: Specifies that institutions designated for elderly or disabled persons with qualified staff who regularly assess residents that are at least 35 percent frail can use the same voting methods as nursing homes.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Failed in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/27/19 - Taken off notice in House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB193/HB145 Application procedure for absentee voters who are first time voters.

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Lamar, London
Summary: Establishes that a person who registered by mail or online voting for their first time may request an application to vote absentee at any county election commission office. The count election commission where the application was completed shall verify the voter's identity and forward said application to the appropriate count election commission.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB235/HB1076 Extends requirement of disclosure statements for local public office.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Rudd, Tim
Summary: Extends requirement of disclosure statements of conflict of interest to local public office and specifies ineligibility for public office if statements are not filed. Requires civil penalties be paid in order to be eligible for election to state public office.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB240/HB312 Authorizes registration and voting on election day.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Johnson, Gloria
Summary: Authorizes registration and voting on election day, authorizes updating person's voter information and vote on election day, and requires the state election commission to promulgate rules for such purposes.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB247/HB225 Requires election officials inspect filings for sufficiency and timeliness.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Crawford, John
Summary: Requires election officials inspect filings for sufficiency and timeliness, establishes conclusive presumption that accepted filings are sufficient and timely filed.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 01/31/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB277/HB1390 County posting revisions to its charter of incorporation on website.

Sponsors: Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Williams, Ryan
Summary: Decreases time period a county has to post revisions to its charter of incorporation on the website from three months to two months. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate State & Local Committee amendment 1 (004345) authorizes certain local governments to prohibit tobacco and vapor product usage in hospitals or within 55 feet from a hospital entrance, authorizes airports and utility districts to regulate tobacco products on property owned and leased by such entities.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 3, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB338/HB18 Participation in the individualized education account program.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Reedy, Jay
Summary: Adds students who were previously enrolled in and attended a nonpublic school or home school for the preceding school year to the category of students eligible for their parent to participate in the individualized education account program.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 25, 2019) Increase State Revenue \$24,300/FY20-21/Department of Education \$48,700/FY21-22/Department of Education \$73,500/FY22-23/Department of Education Exceeds \$97,800/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years/Department of Education Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$24,000/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years/Department of Education Other Fiscal Impact For local education agencies with students that opt to participate in the IEA program, the net shift of state and required local BEP funding from these local education agencies (LEAs) to the participating entities is estimated as follows: \$405,700 in FY20-21; \$811,400 in FY21-22; \$1,224,500 in FY22-23; and amounts exceeding \$1,630,100 in FY23-24 and subsequent years.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/12/19 - Taken off notice in House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee.

SB378/HB378 Authorizes governor to make decisions regarding medical assistance programs.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Miller, Larry
Summary: Removes requirement for the governor to receive authorization from the general assembly to make decisions pertaining to expanding optional enrollment in medical assistance programs.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB389/HB365 Increases the minimum number of days for election officials to be appointed.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Dunn, Bill
Summary: Increases the minimum number of days before an election in which the county election commission must appoint election officials from 10 days to 20 days.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB434/HB223 Notification of a state agency releasing public records.

Sponsors: Sen. Bell, Mike , Rep. Faison, Jeremy
Summary: Increases the time of notification to a recipient of records from a county assessor when a state agency releases public records from 10 to 15 days. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 4, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 01/31/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB464/HB1050 Expands governor's authority with medicaid.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand medicaid pursuant to the Affordable Care Act. Authorizes the governor to negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services to determine the terms of the expansion.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB503/HB768 Requires conducting of supplemental voter registration at high schools in the fall and spring.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Love Jr., Harold

Summary: Requires county election commissions conduct a supplemental registration at public and private high schools once each fall and spring semester. Authorizes high schools to provide opportunities for students to register to vote online at times other than the supplemental registrations.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) Increase Local Expenditures \$9,500*

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB560/HB1229 Authorizes Williamson County participation in convenient voting center project, contingent on election commission approval.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Casada, Glen

Summary: Authorizes Williamson County participate in a pilot project to use convenient voting centers upon approval by a supermajority of the county election commission for elections held in 2020 and thereafter.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2019) Increase Local Expenditures Net Impact-\$200,000/FY20-21/Williamson County/Permissive Decrease Local Expenditures \$100,000/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years/Williamson County/Permissive

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB590/HB626 Record requests that constitute harassment.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: If a person makes a request to view or copy a public record that constitutes harassment, authorizes the records custodian charged with fulfilling the request to petition a court of competent jurisdiction for an order to enjoin the person from making records requests and recover fees and costs.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB640/HB1166 Removes prohibition on campaign treasurers signing finance disclosure statements as witnesses.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Ogles, Brandon

Summary: Removes prohibition against a campaign treasurer signing campaign finance disclosure statements as a witness.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB726/HB1078 Rutherford County - convenience voting centers.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Rudd, Tim

Summary: Authorizes establishment of a program to operate convenient voting centers for federal, state, and local elections in Rutherford County under certain conditions.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/28/19 - Set for House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee 03/06/19.

SB735/HB878 Requirements for an application for an absentee ballot.

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary: Requires an application for an absentee ballot to contain only the last four digits of the voter's social security number rather than the entire social security number of the voter.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/20/19 - Failed in House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB761/HB46 Sunday hours for county election commission during early voting.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Cooper, Barbara

Summary: Requires each county election commission to remain open at least one Sunday during the early voting period from eight o'clock a.m. to four o'clock p.m.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$193,300/FY19-20 and Every Four Years Thereafter Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$386,500/FY20-21 and Every Two Years Thereafter* Exceeds \$193,300/FY21-22 and Every Four Years Thereafter*

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/20/19 - Failed in House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB762/HB214 Absentee voting requirements.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Clemmons, John

Summary: Permits any registered Tennessee voter to vote absentee after providing certification of identity in the application for a ballot. Requires an absentee ballot to be counted for the election in which the ballot is cast. Removes requirement that a voter who registers by mail must vote the first time in person.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$917,200/FY19-20 and Every Four Years Thereafter Increase Local Expenditures \$1,834,500/FY20-21 and Every Two Years Thereafter* \$914,200/FY21-22 and Every Four Years Thereafter*

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/28/19 - Set for House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee 03/06/19.

SB777/HB334 Voter registration and photo ID requirements.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Hodges, Jason

Summary: Requires the department of safety and each county election commission to obtain the information required to register a voter in Tennessee and to automatically register that voter based on information supplied on a driver license or photo id, unless the person opts out. Designates certain other state departments and agencies as voter registration agencies. Requires such agencies to automatically register a qualified person to vote from information on an application for services unless the person opts out.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$600,000/One-Time \$100,000/Recurring

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/20/19 - House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee deferred to 02/27/19.

SB822/HB553 Revises voter registration provisions.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Lamar, London

Summary: Revises requirements and provisions governing voter registration applications through the department of safety. Requires the department of safety to transmit an application or change of residential address form to the appropriate county election commission no later than ten days after the date of acceptance unless such application or form is accepted within five days of the last day for registration to vote in an election. Requires the department of safety to obtain, as part of any application for the issuance or renewal of a driver license, the issuance of a driver permit, or the issuance of a photo ID to a person at least 15 but not more than 18 years of age, the info required to register to vote in this state. Requires the administrator of elections for the county election commission to register the applicant to vote when the applicant turns 18 years of age. Specifies that the department of safety is not required to comply with this act until the department updates or creates new applications, forms, or other necessary documents.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$550,000/One-Time

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB824/HB413 Open records - video taken by a law enforcement body camera.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Lamar, London

Summary: Specifies that video taken by a law enforcement body camera is a public record open to public inspection. Deletes language regarding termination date on exceptions. Establishes a process for an attorney to obtain a copy of law enforcement body camera recording held confidential for use in civil litigation by attorney.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.

SB825/HB554 Requires designation of public institutions of higher education as polling places for elections.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Lamar, London

Summary: Requires county election commissions to designate public institutions of higher education with 8,000 or more enrolled students as polling places during the early

voting period for federal, state, and local elections. Requires voting to take place on the main campus of a public institution of higher education.

Fiscal Note:

(Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status:

02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status:

02/11/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB837/HB1002 Voter registration - application for driver license or renewal of photo ID card.

Sponsors:

Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Beck, Bill

Summary:

Establishes that every applicant for a driver license or renewal of photo ID card by the department of safety will automatically be registered to vote upon their 18th birthday. Declares that anyone older than the age of 18 previously licensed, but an unregistered voter, will be automatically registered upon renewal of license. Establishes the ability to opt out of registration at the division of motor vehicles.

Fiscal Note:

(Dated February 22, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$550,000/One-Time

Senate Status:

02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status:

02/13/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB875/HB1258 Restoration of voting rights.

Sponsors:

Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary:

Makes various changes to the process for restoration of voting rights, consolidates the process for the issuance of a certificate of voting rights restoration through the secretary of state's office. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status:

02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status:

02/13/19 - Referred to House Constitutional Protections & Sentencing Subcommittee.

SB880/HB590 Additional fine for prohibited election practices.

Sponsors:

Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Thompson , Dwayne

Summary:

Requires court to impose an additional fine of \$1,000 for certain prohibited election practices. Specifies that the additional fine must be paid to the clerk of the court and then transferred to the state treasurer who must deposit the fine in the reward pool fund.

Fiscal Note:

(Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status:

02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status:

02/28/19 - Set for House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee 03/06/19.

SB940/HB735 Voter registration by person 16 years of age.

Sponsors:

Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Hodges, Jason

Summary:

Permits a person between over 16 and under 18 years of age to be registered to vote upon turning 18 years of age through submittal of an application for a driver's permit, driver license, or photo identification license with the safety department.

Fiscal Note:

(Dated February 22, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$480,000/One-Time

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB983/HB1092 Medicaid expansion.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Hodges, Jason
Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand medicaid pursuant to the Affordable Care Act. Also authorizes the governor to negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services with respect to the terms of the expansion.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB990/HB1183 Nonpartisan elections for judicial offices in Shelby and Davidson counties.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Leatherwood, Tom
Summary: Requires that elections in Shelby and Davidson counties for judicial offices, offices elected in countywide elections, and for the legislative bodies be nonpartisan.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) Decrease Local Expenditures \$1,427,200/FY21-22 and Every Four Years Thereafter
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/27/19 - Failed in House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB1009/HB1278 Addresses dual service agreements with members of general assembly.

Sponsors: Sen. Kelsey, Brian , Rep. Holt, Andy
Summary: Clarifies that members of the general assembly are not subject to the requirement that a dual service agreement be entered into when being paid a salary for serving as a member of the general assembly. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 15, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/05/19.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1029/HB1430 Medicaid expansion.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Stewart, Mike
Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand medicaid pursuant to the Affordable Care Act. Authorizes the governor to negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services to determine the terms of the expansion.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB1063/HB1494 Nonpartisan elections for state trial court judges and county judicial offices.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Miller, Larry
Summary: Requires nonpartisan elections for state trial court judges and county judicial offices, effective January 1, 2021. Requires qualifying incumbent officers be listed first on the election ballot. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/27/19 - House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee deferred to 03/13/19.

SB1065/HB411 Casting votes by text message prohibited.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Prohibits members of governing bodies of state and local governmental entities from casting votes via text message.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 4, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.

SB1093/HB965 First time voters and absentee voting.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Love Jr., Harold
Summary: Adds that a person who is requesting an absentee ballot who provides satisfactory proof of identity including a color photograph of the voter holding the voter's acceptable photo identification does not have to appear in person to vote for a first election.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/28/19 - Set for House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee 03/06/19.

SB1258/HB762 Candidate who loses primary election cannot qualify as write-in candidate.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Shaw, Johnny
Summary: Requires a candidate defeated in a primary election not be able to complete a notice requesting write-in ballots to be counted in the general election and any write-in votes cast for the candidate in the general election not be able to be counted.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Senate Consent deferred to 03/04/19.
House Status: 02/27/19 - House Local Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

SB1303/HB1398 Declaring of statewide political party affiliation prior to voting.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. Rudd, Tim
Summary: Requires a person to declare a political party affiliation before voting in a primary election. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) Increase State Revenue \$17,800/One-Time/Strategic Technology Solutions Increase State Expenditures \$71,600/One-Time/Division of Elections
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.
House Status: 02/28/19 - Set for House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee 03/06/19.

SB1407/HB658 Limits authority of community oversight board.

Sponsors: Sen. Bell, Mike , Rep. Curcio, Michael

Summary: Limits the authority of a community oversight board to the review and consideration of matters reported to the board and the issuance of advisory reports and recommendations to the duly elected or appointed officials of the agencies involved in public safety and the administration of justice within the jurisdiction for which the community oversight board is established. Specifies that a community oversight board does not have the power to issue subpoenas for documents or to compel witness testimony. Requires any employee or member of a community oversight board to be a registered voter of the jurisdiction for which the community oversight board is established. Specifies other requirements for a community oversight board.

Amendment Summary: House Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (004252) clarifies that a community oversight board created prior to the effective date of the act has one year to comply with the membership requirements.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/05/19.

House Status: 02/27/19 - House Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (004252), which clarifies that a community oversight board created prior to the effective date of the act has one year to comply with the membership requirements. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

SB1500/HB1273 Political Party Registration Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Holt, Andy

Summary: Declares that you cannot vote in a primary election unless you have declared you are affiliated with a statewide political party at time of voter registration. Establishes it to be a Class D Felony for voting in an election you are not entitled to. Requires a voter to complete a statewide political party affiliation change upon seeking to change permanent political party affiliation, with the specified requirements.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 17, 2019) Increase State Revenue - \$17,800/One-Time/Strategic Technology Solutions Increase State Expenditures - \$72,100/One-Time/Division of Elections

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to next Elections Calendar.

House Status: 02/27/19 - Failed in House Local Committee.

SJR1 Constitutional amendment - selection of attorney general.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken ,

Summary: Proposes an amendment to Article VI, Section 5 of the state constitution to provide for the selection of the attorney general and reporter for the state with nomination by the supreme court and confirmation by the general assembly.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$10,000/One-Time

Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate adopted on third reading.

House Status: 02/28/19 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/05/19.

SJR3 Constitutional amendment - prohibits state property tax.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank ,

Summary: Proposes additional language in Article II, Section 28 of the state constitution to prohibit the general assembly from levying, authorizing, or otherwise permitting any state tax on property.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$10,000/One-Time

Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/05/19.

SJR170 **Expansion of medicaid eligibility to combat the opioid crisis.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff ,

Summary: Authorizes governor to expand medicaid eligibility in accordance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to fully combat the opioid crisis in Tennessee.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

SJR172 **Medicaid eligibility expansion.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff ,

Summary: Authorizes governor to expand Medicaid eligibility.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.