

Executive

In House Finance

SOSCD1 Poll Workers Training

Section: 395.20

Requires that GRF ALI 050407, Poll Workers Training, be used to reimburse county boards of elections for precinct election official training.

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive.

SOSCD2 County Voting Systems Lease Rental Payments

Section: 395.20

Requires that GRF ALI 050509, County Voting System Lease Rental Payments, be used to make payments during the biennium pursuant to leases and agreements entered into under Section 4 of S.B. 135 of the 132nd G.A., that were used to finance the costs of acquiring, developing, installing, and implementing county voting systems.

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive.

SOSCD3 Board of Voting Machine Examiners

Section: 395.20

Requires Fund 4S80 ALI 050610, Board of Voting Machine Examiners, to be used for the services and expenses of the members of the Board of Voting Machine Examiners and for other expenses that are authorized to be paid from Fund 4S80. Requires that unused money be returned to the person or entity submitting equipment for examination. Permits the SOS to request that the OBM Director approve additional expenditures if necessary, and appropriates the additional amounts approved.

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive.

SOSCD4 Ballot Advertising Costs

Section: 395.20

Allows CEB, upon request of the SOS, to approve cash transfers from the Controlling Board Emergency Purposes/Contingencies Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Statewide Ballot Advertising Fund (Fund 5FH0) to pay the cost of public notices associated with statewide ballot initiatives.

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Same as the Executive.

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SOSCD5 Absent Voter's Ballot Application Mailing

Section: 395.20

Authorizes CEB, upon request of SOS, to approve cash and appropriation transfers from Fund 5KM0 to the Absent Voter's Ballot Application Mailing Fund (Fund 5RG0) to print and mail unsolicited applications for absent voters' ballots for the November 2026 general election.

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive.

SOSCD6 Address Confidentiality Program

Section: 395.20

Authorizes the OBM Director, upon request of the SOS, to transfer up to \$400,000 cash in each fiscal year from the Business Services Operating Expenses Fund (Fund 5990) to the Address Confidentiality Program Fund (Fund 5SN0).

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive, but reduces the transfer amount to \$200,000 in each fiscal year.

SOSCD7 Corporate/Business Filing Refunds

Section: 395.20

Requires that Fund R0002 ALI 050606, Corporate/Business Filing Refunds, be used to hold revenues until they are directed to appropriate accounts or until they are refunded. Appropriates additional amounts deemed necessary by the SOS and approved by the OBM Director.

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive.

SOSCD8 HAVA Funds

Section: 395.20

Reappropriates the available balance of Fund 3AS0 ALI 050616, Help America Vote Act (HAVA), at the end of FY 2025 and FY 2026, for the same purposes in the following fiscal years.

Section: 395.20

Same as the Executive.

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SOSCD9 Electronic Pollbooks

Section: 395.30

Extends through FY 2027, the provisions that require the SOS, through Fund 5ZE0 ALI 050638, Electronic Pollbooks, to reimburse county boards of elections up to 85% of the total calculated allocation cost to acquire electronic pollbooks and ancillary equipment as defined by R.C. 3506.05. Reappropriates the available balance of Fund 5ZE0 ALI 050638, Electronic Pollbooks, at the end of FY 2025 for the same purposes in FY 2026.

Requires the SOS to calculate the portion of appropriation item 050638, Electronic Pollbooks, to be allocated to each county board of elections in proportion to the number of registered voters in each county as recorded in the statewide voter registration database as of July 1, 2022. Requires that SOS, in conjunction with DAS Procurement Services, use the funding allocated to each county to reimburse them for the cost of acquiring electronic pollbooks and ancillary equipment according to certain guidelines.

Section: 395.30

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PENC05 Precinct election officials excluded from PERS

No provision.

R.C. 145.012

Excludes from PERS membership a person whose only service as a public employee is, and who receives any compensation for service during a calendar year as, a precinct election official.

Fiscal effect: Reduces employer contribution costs for county boards of elections by excluding all precinct election officials (PEOs) from PERS membership. Under current law, only PEOs earning below \$600 in a calendar year (\$1,000 during years with multiple primary and general elections) are excluded.