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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7201**

**BILL NUMBER: SB 389**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 1, 2007**

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Ballots Not Voided by Clerical Errors.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Broden

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** No Fiscal Impact

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill requires the counting of a ballot that the election law otherwise would not permit to be counted if: (1) the voter marked and cast the ballot in compliance with the election law; (2) the defect in the ballot is solely the result of an act or failure to act of an election officer; and (3) no evidence of fraud, tampering, or misconduct is presented.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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