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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6408

BILL NUMBER: HB 1112

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 24, 2013

BILL AMENDED: Jan 24, 2013

SUBJECT: Write-in Candidates.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Hamm

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) *Write-in Candidates*- The bill provides that a write-in candidate for an elected office may not claim affiliation with a political party in the state whose nominee received at least two percent (2%) of the total vote cast for Secretary of State (SOS) at the most recent election for Secretary of State.

Effective Date: July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Write-in Candidates*- The Election Division would need to confirm that a write-in candidate has not designated party affiliation with a party that received at least 2% of the vote total in the most recent SOS election. It is likely that this provision would not significantly increase the administrative time necessary to complete the review of write-in candidate 'declaration of intent' forms.

Background Information-The most recent election of the SOS occurred during the 2010 general election. Three political parties had at least 2% of the total vote for the SOS during the election.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) *Write-in Candidates*- The county election board (CEB) would need to confirm that a write-in candidate has not designated party affiliation with a party that received at least 2% of the vote total in the most recent SOS election. It is likely that this provision would not significantly increase the administrative time necessary to complete the review of write-in candidate 'declaration of intent'

forms.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Election Division.

Local Agencies Affected: County election boards.

Information Sources: Indiana Election Division: *2010 Indiana Election Report*.

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