FISCAL NOTE

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Sill/Resolution No.: SB 2183		Amendment to:	
Requested by Legislative Council		Date of Request:	December 30, 1998

Please estimate the fiscal impact (in dollar amounts) of the above measure for state general or special funds, counties, cities, and school districts. Please provide breakdowns, if appropriate, showing salaries and wages, operating expenses, equipment, or other details to assist in the budget process. In a word processing format, add lines or space as needed or attach a supplemental sheet to adequately address the fiscal impact of the measure.

Narrative: This bill would allow counties, at their option, to hold primary, general, and special elections by mail ballot. It would provide an alternative for the counties as they consider the cost of conducting an election.

Second, the bill would allow the state to conduct a statewide special election by mail ballot. The last statewide special election under current election law cost approximately \$400,000 in 1992. That figure most likely would now be higher. Based on the experience of conducting the presidential primary contest in 1996, it is believed a statewide special election utilizing a mail ballot would cost approximately \$200,000 to \$250,000.

State fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

	1997-99 Biennium		1999-2001 Biennium		2001-03 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
venues	None	None	None	None	None	None
enditures	None	None	None	None	None	None

3. What, if any, is the effect of this measure on the budget for your agency or department:

a. For rest of 1997-99 biennium: None

(Indicate the portion of this amount included in the 1999-2001 executive budget:)

For the 1999-2001 biennium: b.

(Indicate the portion of this amount included in the 1999-2001 executive budget:)

For the 2001-03 biennium: C.

None

County, city, and school district fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

1997-99		1999-2001		2001-03				
Biennium		Biennium		Biennium				
		School			School			School
Counties	Cities	Districts	Counties	Cities	Districts	Counties	Cities	Districts
Unknown	None	None	Unknown	None	None	Unknown	None	None

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