

**EXECUTIVE AGENCY
FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 28, 2017

Agency Submitting: Office of the Secretary of State

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Fiscal Year 2017-18	Fiscal Year 2018-19	Effect on Future Biennia
Database Production (Expense)				\$187,000
Pre-LAT Services (Expense)				\$45,000
Election Day Support (Expense)				\$58,000
Total	0	0	0	\$290,000

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

This bill would require the administration of a presidential preference primary election if one is requested by one or both of the major political parties. If no presidential preference primary is requested, there would be no fiscal impact on the Secretary of State's office; however, this fiscal note is prepared assuming both major political parties will request a presidential preference primary in 2020.

According to the bill, all the costs associated with a presidential preference primary would be a charge against the Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account. As a result, the actual cost for the Secretary of State to administer a presidential preference primary would be \$0. However, it is estimated that the Secretary of State's portion of the costs for a presidential preference primary that would be charged to Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account would be \$290,000. This would cover services provided by the voting system vendor for each election in Nevada. For each election, the vendor provides various services, including developing the databases and ballots that operate on the voting machines, pre-election service and testing of the voting system component, and onsite support and telephone support for election day.

Please note that the next presidential election is not until 2020, so all the estimated costs for a presidential preference primary would not have an effect until a future biennia.

Lastly, this fiscal note response only estimates the costs of a presidential preference primary that would be incurred by the Secretary of State's office. A presidential preference primary would also have a significant fiscal impact on all 17 counties in Nevada. The total county impact is estimated by the Secretary of State's office at \$1.58 million. Together with the Secretary of State's costs (\$290,000), the total amount statewide that it is estimated would be charged to the Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account is \$1.87 million.

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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