

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 57th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2119
Version:	Committee Substitute
Request Number:	
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Research Analysis

The Committee Substitute for HB 2119 clarifies the method for determining signature requirements for municipal initiative petitions. A petition must have be signed by a number of registered voters equal to 25% of the total number of votes cast in the preceding general election. The measure clarifies that this election means the most recent preceding general municipal election.

The bill further specifies that the *total number of votes cast* is to mean the sum of the votes cast for all candidates in the highest-ranking at-large municipal race on the ballot.

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Fiscal Analysis

Officials for the State Election Board anticipate no fiscal impact as a result of the provisions of HB 2119 in its current form. The State Election Board interprets the changes made in HB 2119 to be clarifying language, not deviating from their existing interpretation of the law.

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Other Considerations

None.