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Bill Analysis

The CS for SB 1637 requires the county election board to notify the Attorney General in addition to the district attorney if more than 10 absentee ballots for a single election are requested to be mailed to a single mailing address. The Attorney General may investigate any possible criminal violation of the law related to the absentee ballot requests in such instances. If the Attorney General declines to investigate, the Attorney General shall submit the notification from the county election board to the district attorney for that county. The county election board shall also send a letter to the Attorney General when it suspects voter fraud from a particular person. Additionally, the Secretary of the State Election Board is directed to notify the Attorney General has documents that appear to be evidence of voter registration or voting crimes. The CS provides that the Attorney General may investigate such crimes or refer the matter to the district attorney within 30 days of receiving the notification. The measure modifies the duties of the Attorney General to reflect these changes.

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