

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB376
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Research Analysis

SB 376 provides that a voter who receives an absentee ballot is responsible for marking the ballot or directing a person they choose to mark the ballot. Then, either the voter or the person chosen by the voter will seal the ballot and fill out the ballot completely and sign the affidavit or direct their chosen person to do so and print the voter's name on the affidavit. If the ballot is filled out by a designee, the name and address of the person must be printed on the affidavit. The signature of the voter or person chosen by the voter must be witnessed by two people who didn't sign the affidavit on behalf of the voter and their printed names, signatures, and addresses will appear on the affidavit.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 376 provides various guidelines associated with voters who receive absentee ballots, namely requiring individuals who fill out an absentee ballot on behalf of the individual who requested the absentee ballot to have their name and address printed on the affidavit filled out by the designee. Per the State Election Board (SEB), the changes in this measure would result in a minimal fiscal impact to the agency.

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Other Considerations

None.