

BILL SUMMARY
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| Bill No.: | HB 2191 |
| Version: | CS |
| Request Number: | 13029 |
| Author: | Rep. Wolfley |
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| Impact: | \$0 |

Research Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 2191 introduces new requirements for notaries public who notarize absentee ballot affidavits. Notaries must record the voter's name and the date, time, and method of identification in a log.

Notaries who notarize more than 20 absentee ballot affidavits in a single election must submit a copy of their log to the county election board within five business days after the election, and the log will be maintained as a public record by the county election board.

Notaries who either fail to submit the log or exceed 20 notarized ballots without the required authorization will face an eight-year revocation of their notary license. Additionally, willful and intentional violations of these provisions are classified as misdemeanors, punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

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Fiscal Analysis

The committee substitute to HB 2191 does not materially alter the prior fiscal impact statement. Therefore, the measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.