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AN ACT CONCERNING POLL BOOKS FOR THE CHECKING OF
ELECTORS AT ELECTIONS, PRIMARIES AND REFERENDA.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential Revenue Gain	Minimal	Minimal

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires registrars to notify electors at least 14 days prior to an election what kind of poll book¹ will be used in that election or referendum, and establishes a \$50 minimum penalty for each registrar who fails to provide that notice, resulting in a potential minimal revenue gain to the General Fund beginning in FY 27. The exact revenue gain will depend on the number and amount of fines imposed due to the legislation.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future, subject to inflation and the number of penalties imposed.

¹ The Secretary of the State (SOTS) is required to approve any electronic poll book prior to it being used by towns. SOTS has not approved any electronic poll book at this time.