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SB-298

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REALLOCATION OF CERTAIN  
STATE FUNDS AND VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATING TO  
EDUCATION, PUBLIC SAFETY, GENERAL GOVERNMENT,  
ELECTIONS, INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES AND  
WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS.

AMENDMENT

LCO No.: 2345

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

### ***Cost***

The amendment requires municipal registrars to conduct national background checks on moderators to ensure compliance with the bill's provisions at the Secretary of the State's (SOTS) expense, resulting in a cost beginning in FY 26. The total cost of the background checks<sup>1</sup> depends on the number of moderators appointed.

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<sup>1</sup> Basic national background checks are estimated to cost \$20 to \$100 per report, depending on the depth of the search.

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