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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6547

BILL NUMBER: SB 311

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 6, 2004

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Disbanding a Candidate's Committee.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Antich-Carr

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill specifies the process for disbanding a candidate's committee upon the death of the individual for whom the committee was organized. The bill requires a candidate's committee to disband not later than 180 days after the individual's death.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Summary:* The bill would require the Election Commission to administratively disband the committee of a deceased state or legislative official after a period of 120 days has passed without written notification from the candidate's chairman or treasurer. Unless an unusually high amount of candidate deaths were to occur in a given year, this provision should minimally impact the administrative time of the Election Commission. The Election Division reports there are, on average, one or two administrative disbandments of candidate's committees per year.

Background: The Election Commission/Division reverted \$63,947 back to the state General Fund at the end of FY 2004. The Election Division was appropriated \$794,571 in FY 2004 and \$725,571 in FY 2005.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill would require county election boards to administratively disband the committee of a deceased local official or school board member after a period of 120 days has passed without written notification from the candidate's chairman or treasurer. County election boards may see a minimal increase in administrative time to carry out the provision.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Election Commission.

Local Agencies Affected: County election boards.

Information Sources: Indiana Election Division; State Budget Agency: *FY2004 General and Rainy Day Fund Summaries*; State of Indiana: *List of Appropriations July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2005*.

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