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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6144

BILL NUMBER: SB 33

NOTE PREPARED: Nov 6, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Voter Education.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Rogers

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill requires public and accredited nonpublic high schools to provide: (1) a three-hour session to Grade 12 students concerning voting; and (2) voter registration forms to graduating students and to students who leave school without graduating and are at least 18 years of age.

Effective Date: July 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Summary:* High schools could provide the required three-hour session to twelfth-grade students with a convocation-type setting in either their auditoriums or gymnasiums. Schools could accomplish the session by adding an additional convocation to the schedule. It is likely that schools could change their classroom schedule to accommodate the session with minimal interference of classes.

Local election boards would be required to assist high schools with the required sessions. Depending on scheduling and the type of assistance provided, local election boards should be able to carry out this provision within existing resources.

Background: There are approximately 400 public high schools. There were 66,978 public and 7,379 private twelfth-grade students enrolled in the 2005-2006 school year.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: High schools; County election boards.

Information Sources: DOE SAS and ORACLE DATABASES.

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