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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6920**  
**BILL NUMBER: HB 1156**

**NOTE PREPARED: Jan 1, 2013**  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Polling Places.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Richardson  
**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill provides that a public school building may be used as a polling place only if the governing body of the school corporation adopts a policy permitting the use of the school building as a polling place.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2013.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** *Summary:* If school corporations did not authorize the use of school buildings within their corporation limit for polling places, county election officials would have to make use of other public buildings allowed under current law, or contract for space in private buildings. The extent to which this bill may increase local expenditures would depend on local school board actions and the availability of suitable replacement sites that are free of charge.

**Background Information:** There are currently 5,357 precincts in Indiana. There are 1,220 precincts with splits.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Counties, school boards.

**Information Sources:** Indiana Election Division.

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