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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Reported by House Ways and Means

Primary Sponsor: Rep. Merrin

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- Modifying what information is required to appear on the ballot for a property tax levy could make the ballot language slightly longer. Consequently, political subdivisions could incur some minimal additional ballot advertising and ballot printing costs.

Detailed Analysis

Taken together, the changes in the bill are likely to make the language of a property tax ballot issue slightly longer, resulting in some minimal ballot advertising cost increases and potentially some ballot printing cost increases as well. Generally, these ballot measures are required to be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation over two consecutive weeks. This advertising contains the language of the issue appearing on the ballot. By modifying the language required to appear on the property tax ballot, making it slightly longer, these advertising costs may minimally increase. Additionally, in cases in which ballots are printed, such as for certain absent voter ballots, it could result in some additional printing costs for political subdivisions if the ballot language is longer.