



Fiscal Note

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HB 25-1225: FREEDOM FROM INTIMIDATION IN ELECTIONS ACT

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill prohibits individuals from intimidating voters and election officials, and allows for enforcement and relief of aggrieved individuals through the court system.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

- Minimal State Revenue
- Minimal State Workload
- Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

The bill prohibits an individual from intimidating, threatening, or coercing others in relation to voting or attempting to vote, assisting others in voting, or helping to administer past or present elections. It creates a presumption that an individual who is not law enforcement who carries a real or imitation firearm while interacting with or observing voting activities engages in prohibited intimidation.

The bill may be enforced by an aggrieved individual, an election official, the Secretary of State, or the Department of Law.

State Revenue

The bill may increase revenue to the Judicial Department from an increase in civil case filings. Revenue from filing fees is subject to TABOR.

State Expenditures

The bill may increase workload in the Department of Law and the Department of State, which have the authority to enforce the bill's provisions. Any additional civil actions will also increase workload in the trial courts and the Judicial Department. The fiscal note assumes high levels of compliance and that any additional impact to these departments will be minimal.

Local Government

The bill gives election officials the authority to enforce the bill's provisions, which may lead to additional workload for local governments that participate in lawsuits brought by election officials designated by the local government. Any impact is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Judicial	Local Affairs	Secretary of State
Law	Revenue	

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit the [General Assembly website](#).