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**FISCAL NOTE**

<b>Drafting Number:</b>	LLS 20-1163	<b>Date:</b>	March 12, 2020
<b>Prime Sponsors:</b>	Rep. Garnett; Neville Sen. Fenberg; Holbert	<b>Bill Status:</b>	House Judiciary
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**Bill Topic:** **BALLOT ACCESS MODIFICATIONS PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS**

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:** **No fiscal impact.** The bill extends various deadlines related to ballot access requirements in 2020. The bill also allows for additional flexibility for political party procedures due to public health concerns. It has no fiscal impact on state or local government.

**Appropriation Summary:** No appropriation is required.

**Fiscal Note Status:** This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill and should be considered preliminary, as state agencies and local governments have not been canvassed due to time constraints. If additional information becomes available, this fiscal note will be revised.

**Summary of Legislation**

Due to public health concerns, the bill extends various political party and state deadlines for the 2020 election, including:

- an extension for party and county assemblies to occur;
- an extension for the central committee of each political party to file certificates of designation with the Secretary of State; and
- an extension for the Secretary of State to deliver the certificate of the ballot to county clerks.

The bill allows for additional flexibility by political parties with respect to remote participation, quorum requirements, and proxy votes for assemblies or vacancy committees. Additionally, the ability of the state chair of a political party to fill a vacancy is extended to situations in which the vacancy occurs because the designation was not filled by the assembly or the vacancy committee.

The provisions included in the bill are repealed on December 31, 2020.

**Assessment of No Fiscal Impact**

Temporarily extending deadlines and adjusting procedures for political party will not affect expenditures or revenue for any state or local government agency. Therefore, the bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

## **Effective Date**

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

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

None