Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2019 Regular Session

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 814
Bill #: HB 127
Document ID #: 1037
Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to qualifications of Senators.
Sponsor: Representative Reginald Meeks
Unit of Government: City x County Urban-County Unified Local x Charter County x Consolidated Local x Government
Office(s) Impacted: County clerks
Requirement: Mandatory Optional
Effect on Powers & Duties:x Modifies Existing Adds New Eliminates Existing

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

HB 127 proposes to amend the Kentucky Constitution to change the minimum eligibility age for a state Senator from 30 years to 24. The amendment is to be submitted to voters for ratification or rejection.

The fiscal impact of HB 127 will be minimal. According to Harp Enterprises (a vendor recently providing electronic voting machines to 97 Kentucky counties) there are additional programming costs associated with adding a new category to the ballot on a scheduled statewide election. According to Harp Enterprises the costs would range from \$14 per precinct for larger counties such as Fayette with 286 precincts (\$4,074) to \$45 per precinct for counties such as Franklin with 44 precincts (\$1,980).

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

Part II, above, pertains to the bill as drafted. There is no prior version of the bill to complete Part III.

Data Source(s): Harp Enterprises; Kentucky Association of County Clerks, Kentucky

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