

Local Government Mandate Statement
Kentucky Legislative Research Commission
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Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 428

Bill #: SB 48

Document ID #: 1087

Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to persons entitled to vote.

Sponsor: Senator Reginald L. Thomas

Unit of Government:	<u> </u> City	<u> x </u> County	<u> x </u> Urban-County
			Unified Local
	<u> x </u> Charter County	<u> x </u> Consolidated Local	<u> x </u> Government

Office(s) Impacted: County clerks

Requirement: **x** 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

The fiscal impact of SB 48 will be minimal. SB 48 proposes to amend Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky to allow sixteen- and seventeen-year-old United States citizens to vote in school board and local elections. It provides ballot language to submit to voters for ratification or rejection.

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

The Part II section above pertains to the bill as drafted and there are not any prior versions of the bill to complete the Part III section.

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

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