## Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2020 Regular Session

**Part I: Measure Information** 

Bill Request #: 1056
Bill #: SB 119
<b>Document ID #:</b> 3443
Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to elections.
Sponsor: Senator Reginald Thomas
Unit of Government: City x County w Urban-County Unified Local
<u>x</u> Charter County <u>x</u> Consolidated Local <u>x</u> Government
Office(s) Impacted: County clerks
Requirement: Mandatory Optional
Effect on  Powers & Duties:x _ Modifies Existingx _ Adds New Eliminates Existing

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

SB 119 amends KRS 116.025 to require that a voter be a resident of the state and precinct on or before the day of a primary or an election for voter registration purposes and amends KRS 116.045 to allow a person who is not a registered voter prior to the time that the registration books are closed (and who possesses all other qualifications for voter registration) to register at the person's precinct of residence on the day of a primary or an election if the person confirms his or her identity, completes the registration form and a required oath, and has not withdrawn his or her registration after December 31 immediately preceding the primary.

The Act amends KRS 116.0452 to specify that timely receipt for precinct voter registration is on the day of a primary or an election and **requires the county clerk to provide the State Board of Elections with a report** of the number of voters registering to vote at the precincts on the day of a primary or an election

SB 119 amends KRS 116.055 to apply same-day registration requirements to primary voter qualifications and amends KRS 117.225 to require that if the person is not listed on the precinct roster that person (subject to applicable requirements) be given the opportunity to register and to vote at the precinct on the day of an election. Finally, SB 119 amends KRS 117.365 to require that applications for voter registration completed at the precinct be presented to the grand jury, **and retained by the county clerk**.

The fiscal impact will be minimal to moderate. There will be additional costs and additional time and effort required of county clerks and election officials to comply with provisions relating to Election Day registrations, document processing and recording, and subsequent reporting.

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

Part II, above, pertains to the bill as introduced.

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