

# Fiscal Analysis

## SCHOOL ELECTION CANCELLATIONS



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**Bill/Sponsor**

**HOUSE BILL 4215 Introduced,** Rep. Christopher Ward

**House Committee**

Local Government and Urban Policy

**Analysis****Summary**

This bill would allow a school district to cancel an election if all of the following applied:

- The election was for school board members only,
- The deadline for declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate has passed, and
- There was only one candidate for each office on the ballot.

Under HB 4215, if these circumstances are met, the school district could cancel the election and give notice of the cancellation to the electors of the school district. The candidate(s) on the ballot would then be considered to be elected to that office.

**Fiscal Impact**

HB 4215 would create no state fiscal impact. However, it would create an indeterminate amount of savings to local school districts that cancel elections. Currently, local school districts are responsible for the costs associated with the election of school board members and any other election issues pertaining to the school district. By canceling uncontested school board elections, districts would have a reduction in their election costs. The amount of savings to a school district would vary, depending on the number of precincts within the school district.

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