BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

SB 410 prohibits people from electioneering within 300 feet of the entrance to a polling place or in-person absentee voting site or a person that is standing in line to vote at these locations. Only election officials, voters registered and voting at the location, or a minor or other dependent who is accompanying the voter will be allowed to remain in the election enclosure or within 50 feet or the polling place or in-person absentee voting site. The measure also prohibits any printed material not provided by the election board to be publicly placed or exposed within 300 feet of the entrance to a polling place or in-person absentee voting site. The measure also provides definitions of "electioneering" and "election enclosure." The prohibition against electioneering will also apply to pollsters, who must not be inside the election enclosure or within 50 feet of the entrance. Any person who breaks any of these regulations while an election is in progress will be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 410 extends the set back requirements for polling places from a specific distance from a ballot box to a specific distance from the entrance of a polling place or in-person absentee voting site, including any registered voters standing in line to vote. Per the State Election Board (SEB), the changes this measure provides would have a minimal fiscal impact to the agency as all new signate would be included with the printed materials for the 2024 elections

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Other Considerations

None.

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