

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **SB 424** SLS 26RS 953

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Service by Mail, Delivery, or Electronic Means		

CIVIL PROCEDURE

OR NO IMPACT See Note

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Provides for service by mail, delivery, or electronic means. (8/1/26)

Current law provides that except as otherwise provided by law, every pleading subsequent to the original petition, and every pleading which under an express provision of law may be served either by the Sheriff or by mailing a copy to the counsel of record (service being complete upon mailing) or delivering a copy thereof to the counsel of record, or if there is no counsel of record, to the adverse party, delivering a copy to the clerk of court (if there is no counsel of record or if the adverse party is not known), or transmitting a copy by electronic means to the counsel of record, or if there is no counsel of record, to the adverse party, at the number or address expressly designated in a pleading or other writing for receipt of electronic service; provides that service by electronic means is complete upon transmission but not effective and shall not be certified if the serving party learns that the transmission did not reach the party to be served; provides that if electronic service cannot be effected, service may be perfected in accordance with other provisions of law. Proposed law clarifies that electronic means of service applies to a pleading or other writing which is filed in the record for receipt of electronic service.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The proposed law only clarifies that electronic service of pleadings or other writings requires that the documents that are served electronically are already filed in the record with the clerk of court.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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