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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Reported by Senate Judiciary

Primary Sponsor: Rep. Swearingen

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Nonprofit Corporation Law

The bill does not appear to have any fiscal impact on the operations of the Secretary of State's (SOS) Business Services Division or local governments. It makes several modifications to the Nonprofit Corporation Law related to director qualifications and appointments, director and officer liability, and certificates of good standing with the Secretary of State. Overall, these changes will not have any significant impact on the filings made by nonprofit corporations and submitted to the SOS. Filing fee revenues collected from Uniformed Commercial Code (UCC) filings are deposited into the Business Services Fund (Fund 5990). The expenses associated with collecting and processing UCC filings, as well as personnel costs of the Business Services Division, are paid from DPF appropriation item 050603, Business Services Operating Expenses.

Immunity associated with perishable food donation

The bill could result in a reduction in civil liability cases brought forward, which could decrease related court costs. The total impact would depend on the number of potential cases immune under the bill. Under current law, a person who makes a perishable food donation to a nonprofit is only immune from civil liability for that donation if the nonprofit provides the food free of charge. The bill extends that immunity to a person who donates perishable food to a nonprofit that charges individuals in need an amount sufficient to cover the cost of handling the perishable food distributed to them.