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**H.B. 460**  
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## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

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**Version:** As Reported by House State and Local Government

**Primary Sponsors:** Reps. Hambley and Skindell

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

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### **Highlights**

- The bill may cause a minimal increase in costs to the Secretary of State.

### **Detailed Analysis**

The bill requires the Secretary of State to create a form of declaration of candidacy and petition and written acceptance of certification to be used by a judicial candidate that includes an option to request that no political party designation be listed under the candidate's name on a general election ballot, as is the case under current law. The bill applies to candidates running for the Supreme Court, appellate courts, courts of common pleas, county courts, and municipal courts. This new requirement may result in a minimal increase in non-GRF costs to the Secretary of State's Office. The Elections Division is funded through the Business Services Fund (Fund 5990).

Placing political party affiliation on the ballot for these judicial races will likely not have any fiscal impact on county boards of elections, as party affiliation would simply be noted in the standard course of ballot preparation for a general election.