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Primary Sponsors: Reps. Mathews and Peterson

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Neither the Secretary of State (SOS), nor county boards of elections will incur any additional direct costs to consecutively number state issues or questions across elections. Under the bill, beginning with the general election on November 5, 2024, a state question or issue appearing at the top of the ballot must be designated with an Arabic numeral "1" and any state question or issue placed below that must be consecutively numbered. Any subsequent question or issue appearing at the top of the ballot in future elections must be designated by the next consecutive Arabic numeral from the final question or issue of the prior election. Once a state question or issue appears on the ballot designated with the Arabic numeral "500," the state question or issue that appears at the top of the ballot for the next election must be designated with the Arabic numeral "1."