

2023-2024 General Assembly

HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 26.2: State Board of Elections Post-Election Audit Report

Committee:		Date:	January 10, 2024
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Analysis of:	Sec. 26.2 of S.L. 2023-134		Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: Section 26.2 of S.L. 2023-134 specifies the information that must be included in the postelection audit report following a general election, effective July 1, 2023.

CURRENT LAW: The State Board of Elections (State Board) is required to prepare a report after conducting a post-election audit and submit that report to the Joint Legislative Elections Oversight Committee and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government within 10 business days of the completion date.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 26.2 of S.L. 2023-134 requires the State Board to produce a post-election audit report for the general election that includes at least the following:

- A summary of the types of post-election audits required and the results of each of the post-election audits.
- A description of each of the post-election audits, along with any issues identified that could have affected the election outcome and how the issues were resolved.
- A description of any systemic issues identified in the post-election audits and recommendations regarding how to address the issues to ensure election security and integrity.
- The ways in which the public was allowed to participate in post-election audits.
- Any other matters deemed appropriate by the State Board.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective July 1, 2023.

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