

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY  
OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS  
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6644**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 211**

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 22, 2026  
**BILL AMENDED:** Jan 20, 2026

**SUBJECT:** Cancellation of Caucus Meeting.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Holdman  
**FIRST SPONSOR:** Rep. Lehman

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed Senate

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill allows a person who wishes to be a candidate for a pro tempore appointment to certain local offices or school board offices to file a declaration of candidacy with the chair of the caucus or the circuit court clerk. The bill requires a circuit court clerk to send a copy of a declaration of candidacy filed with the clerk to the chairman of the caucus on the same day the declaration of candidacy is received.

The bill allows a notice of a caucus meeting to be rescinded if only one candidate seeks to fill a vacancy in a local office or a school board office held by a major party.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2026.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Circuit court clerks may see slightly more declarations of candidacy filed in pro tempore appointments for vacancy. However, any increase in filings and subsequent forwarding to county party chairpersons is likely to be small.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Circuit court clerks.

**Information Sources:**

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