
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
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AB 1664 (Jackson) - Elections: law enforcement investigations of election records or voting technology

Version: June 17, 2026

Urgency: Yes

Hearing Date: August 13, 2026

Policy Vote: E. & C.A. 4 - 1, PUB. S. 5 - 1

Mandate: Yes

Consultant: Robert Ingenito

Bill Summary: AB 1664 would require a local agency, political subdivision, or elections official to provide written notice to the Secretary of State (SOS) and the Attorney General (AG) no later than one calendar day after becoming aware of any warrant, subpoena, or active law enforcement investigation pertaining to the search, seizure, or retention of any election records or certified voting technology.

******* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE *******

**The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on August 13, 2026**

Fiscal Impact:

- By requiring certain local entities to notify the SOS and AG as specified, this bill creates a state-mandated local program. To the extent the Commission on State Mandates determines that the provisions of this bill create a new program or impose a higher level of service on local agencies, local agencies could claim reimbursement of those costs. The magnitude is unknown, but probably minor (General Fund).
- SOS and the AG would incur minor and absorbable administrative costs
- To the extent that the AG intervenes in elections-related legal investigations that also receive precedence when filed in court, this bill could result in increased court workload, resulting in potentially significant cost pressures to the courts; the magnitude is unknown (Trial Court Trust Fund (TCTF)). It generally costs about \$10,500 per day to operate a courtroom. Courts are not funded on the basis of workload, and increased pressure on TCTF may create a need for increased funding for courts from the General Fund. The enacted 2026-27 budget includes \$70 million in ongoing support from the General Fund to continue to backfill TCTF for revenue declines.

Committee Amendments: Change Senator Cervantes from coauthor to principal coauthor.

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