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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Carraro DATE TYPED 1/25/05 HB _____

SHORT TITLE Enlarge Election Candidate Filing Timeframe SB 41

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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
			NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relate to elections.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files
Secretary of State

Responses Received From
Secretary of State

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 41 extends the number of candidate filing days from one day to two for all federal, state, municipal, school district and community college board elections. Senate Bill 41 applies to both primary and general elections.

Significant Issues

An additional day that a candidate would have to file as a candidate creates some additional accessibility to aspiring elected officials and would potentially facilitate broader participation.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL?

Status quo.

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