



# County of El Dorado

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## Legislation Text

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Elections Department recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign a budget amendment to transfer \$182,360 from the General Fund Appropriation for Contingency to the Elections Department, to conduct the June 4, 2019 Senate District 1 Special General Election, due to vacancy. (4/5 vote required)

**FUNDING:** General Fund, increase to the Election Departments Fiscal Year 2018-19 budget.

### **DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND**

The Senate District 1 seat was vacated when the incumbent was sworn into a new position in 2019. A Special Election was called by the Governor of California on January 16, 2019, resulting in a Special Primary Election in the County of El Dorado on March 26, 2019. This was a county-wide election, and no one candidate received a majority of the vote. Therefore, a Special General Election will be held June 4, 2019.

This funding is required to: purchase ballots; pay for the cost of mailing ballots; cover the cost of temporary labor; pay for polling places; pay for poll workers; print Voter Information Pamphlets; cover postage costs for outgoing and return ballots (now required by AB216); as well as cover the cost to rent vans for transportation of equipment.

There is also a potential for another runoff election if one of the candidates who has filed to run in this Senate District 1 election wins this seat. The timing of that election is not known, but would potentially be in August, 2019.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

N/A

### **PRIOR BOARD ACTION**

Board approved a budget increase of \$237,640 for the March 26, 2019 Special Primary Election (Legistar 19-0182, 2/12/19)

### **OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT**

N/A

### **CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS**

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

General Fund Increase to the Elections Department budget of \$182,360 in FY 2018-19. This request is for the net amount required after taking into account \$27,640 savings from the \$237,640 that was transferred for the March 26th Special Election.

### **CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS**

N/A

**STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT**

N/A

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