Department of Planning and Budget
2026 General Assembly Session
State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: SB126ER **Patron:** Pekarsky
Bill Title: Elections; primary election; when filings to be made; extension for incumbents failure to file.

Bill Summary: Provides that if an incumbent office holder fails to file the necessary paperwork to qualify to be on the ballot for a primary election for the office, he holds by the deadline for filing such paperwork, then the deadline for such paperwork is extended by five days for any filer other than the incumbent. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2027.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** N/A
Explanation: N/A

Fiscal Summary: There is no anticipated fiscal impact as a result of the provisions of this bill.

Fiscal Analysis: As stand-alone legislation, the Department of Elections considers implementation of this bill as “routine,” and does not require additional funding.

Other: N/A